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NEW VIOLET  
"PRINCESS  
OF WALES"

1892

# Burpee's

FARM  
ANNUAL.

WRITTEN AT  
FORDHOOK FARM.

W. ATLEE BURPEE & CO.  
SEED GROWERS.  
PHILADELPHIA, PA.



# BURPEE'S SEEDS GROW and are the BEST that grow!


Samples of every lot are tested in the greenhouses, and only those of good vitality are sold.


All crops are "rogued" carefully during growth and their products compared by thorough field trials. Thousands of these trials are made at our famous FORDHOOK FARM, Doylestown, Pa., where are grown a greater variety of grains, vegetables, and flowers than anywhere else in America.

These field trials embrace both our own stocks and other varieties from all parts of the world. Thus we know that BURPEE'S SEEDS are the Best that grow.

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**SEEDS POSTPAID BY MAIL.** In considering our prices, both of new and standard Vegetable and Flower Seeds, please bear in mind that **WE PAY THE POSTAGE** and always guarantee Safe Delivery.

 On all Vegetable Seeds and Sweet Peas, ordered by **express** or **freight**, the purchaser is entitled to **deduct TEN CENTS per pound** from prices quoted.


 **ON all ORDERS for SEEDS IN PACKETS** the purchaser may select **TWENTY-FIVE CENTS' WORTH EXTRA for Each ONE DOLLAR sent us.** Thus, any one sending us **\$1.00** can select seeds in **packets** amounting to **\$1.25**; for **\$2.00**, seeds in packets to the value of **\$2.50**; for **\$3.00**, seeds in packets to the value of **\$3.75**, and so on.

**HOW TO ORDER.** Please be careful to sign your *name, post-office, county, and State on each and every letter sent us.* Cash should accompany the order. Money can be sent safely either by post-office order, bank draft, express order, or the cash by registered letter. **We accept postage stamps the same as cash.**

On orders over **\$1.00** the cost of remitting by any of these methods may be selected in extra seeds free. Every postmaster is obliged by law to register a letter on payment of eight cents, in addition to postage, and then you will receive our receipt for the letter by return mail.



We are responsible for the safe receipt of remittances by any of the above methods. The efficiency of the Post-Office Department is such, however, that a letter or package is seldom lost or stolen.

**PLEASE WRITE each item of your order** on a separate line, and carry out the prices. Also please **keep a copy of your order**, with which to "check off" the seeds when received, to be sure that you receive *just what you ordered.* We seldom make mistakes, but *when we do*, want to be notified immediately, so that they can be corrected.

 Kindly write any questions, requiring answer, separately from the order.

**Please ORDER EARLY!** It would be a great accommodation to us if more of our customers would order their seeds during **January and February**,—before the rush of our busy season. If, however, you should postpone ordering, even until the seeds are actually needed, you can rely upon getting them, promptly,—**"by return mail."**

Our system is so complete that even in the months of **March and April** (when we receive from 3000 to 5000 orders daily) we avoid all delay. We take special pride in promptness and are the **"Quickest mail-order house"** in the seed trade.

 Letters reach us safely if addressed simply—**BURPEE, Philadelphia.** 

**W. ATLEE BURPEE & CO., PHILADELPHIA, PA.**



JANUARY 1, 1897.

To Our Friends and Patrons:—



THE FARM ANNUAL is written at FORDHOOK FARM, where we live among the growing crops and have thousands of field trials under our daily observation. Besides able assistants, we have the hearty co-operation of the Manager, Superintendent of Trial Grounds, and Head Gardener,—three experienced men who have devoted their lives to agriculture and horticulture.

Hence, BURPEE'S FARM ANNUAL tells the plain truth about seeds.

There is no "short cut to success." The steady growth of our business is the result of constant industry, with the determined purpose that **BURPEE'S SEEDS** should be recognized as the **Standard of Excellence**. Our friends have helped with kind words of recommendation to extend the fame of **BURPEE'S SEEDS**,—until now they are supplied each season direct to more planters than are the seeds of any other growers.

The past few years have been unprofitable alike to the farmer, gardener, and seedsman. Therefore we have condensed our Catalogue, by transferring specialties to the general lists and using pink paper pages only for the Novelties of 1897. The edition is so large that by thus reducing cost of postage, printing, and distribution, we save more than twenty thousand dollars, and are able to offer

**Special LOW PRICES for 1897.** We have reduced seeds in bulk to the lowest prices possible.

We now give twenty-five cents' worth of seeds extra, in ounces as well as packets, for each one dollar,—see page 3. We sell only **the BEST SEEDS that Grow**, as warranted on page 144. Better seeds cannot be had at any price, while nowhere **High-Grade TESTED SEEDS** of equal quality can be bought for less money.

With our reduced prices, it would be both pleasant and profitable, if, instead of cutting down the appropriation for seeds, our customers should each spend the usual amount and thus have a larger and better garden than ever before. It would be true economy to devote more attention to the Vegetable Garden, while the pleasures of life can be increased by the culture of Flowers.

Asking a careful reading of the following pages, with best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year, we remain,

Yours truly,

CITY WAREHOUSE:

475 and 477 North Fifth St.,  
476 and 478 York Avenue.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

SEED GARDENS and Trial Grounds at FORDHOOK FARM, Doylestown, Pa.

# HOW I MADE ADVERTISING PAY.

## “BURPEE’S SEEDS GROW.”

A Business Autobiography.\*

BY W. ATLEE BURPEE.

You ask “How I made advertising pay” in the seed business, just as you ask the same question of men successful in other lines. Your question being so personal, I have concluded that my answer should be in the nature of a business autobiography.

Our business was established in 1876, but for some years previously the writer had been interested in the breeding and sale of Thoroughbred Stock and Seed Corn. Although not unknown to the farming public, as I had been a regular correspondent of several papers, it may be interesting to note that the first year’s business showed a net loss of \$3500,—without allowance either for interest or personal salary; the second year’s business barely paid expenses, while the third year showed a profit of \$2700. Since then, with the exception of several years of great agricultural depression, our trade has increased steadily, until now it is the largest of its kind in the world.

Confidence is of slow growth, but the confidence of planters is essential in selling seeds. Of other merchandise the purchaser can judge somewhat by the sample, but no one can see any difference in the seed, for instance, of Cauliflower worth \$25 per pound, of Cabbage worth \$2 50, or of Turnip worth 25 cents.

The vitality can be easily tested, but the planter cannot know until the crop is grown whether the seeds are true to name and of first-class strain. That BURPEE’S SEEDS might become widely known we originated the plan, which has been copied so largely, of advertising ten packets of choice vegetables or flowers for the nominal sum of 25 cents. We sold thousands of these collections, and many of the purchasers were thus induced to order other seeds at regular prices the following year.

In 1881 we introduced the CUBAN QUEEN,—a Watermelon superior to others then in cultivation. We advertised this quite largely, and the second year (1882) included a packet in our cheap collection of seeds for trial, of which we sold more than sixty thousand. This novelty, with BURPEE’S STREHEAD CABBAGE and the BAY VIEW MUSK MELON, both introduced in 1877, made a trio of vegetables that were unequaled and which helped greatly the growth of our business.

By traveling each summer among seed growers in America or Europe, we learned to know the best sources of supply and also new varieties as they were developed. We have been careful to introduce only such novelties as show some real improvement over standard varieties. Our field trials (exclusive of vitality tests) at FORDHOOK FARM have numbered more than six thousand samples in a season.

Other seedsmen have criticised us for the expense of making such thorough comparative

trials each year. We admit that all profit from seed crops grown on the farm is more than consumed in conducting the trial grounds.

FORDHOOK pays, however, in the knowledge it gives us of all seeds and indirectly also in the advertising we receive as owners of the “Model Seed Farm of America.”

Editors of agricultural papers, as well as directors of State Experiment Stations, write frequently for information, and in this way we get considerable free advertising. We are thus enabled also to state that we warrant our seeds to be *first-class* and *true to name*,—“because other seeds just like them have been grown at FORDHOOK.”

In 1890 we secured advertising of unusual value by the introduction of BURPEE’S BUSH LIMA,—the only bush form of the true large Lima Bean. This we sold at a price unheard-of before,—75 cents for a packet of four beans. Even at this price, which was meant to be largely prohibitive, we received many orders, and doubtless the public thought that we had made a large amount of money.

The expenses of introduction, however, absorbed all profit until the variety had become generally known. Meanwhile other growers had obtained the seed, but the fact that this variety is offered prominently in every seed catalogue as BURPEE’S BUSH LIMA, gives us advertising that is worth more than large direct profits.

It is a remarkable coincidence that now, in 1896, we should introduce also the first DWARF SWEET PEA,—CUPID, which grows only five inches high. Last summer we exhibited pot plants before the Royal Horticultural Society of London and the *Société Nationale d’Horticulture* of Paris, where we received the highest awards of merit. Now, in the first year of its introduction, CUPID is catalogued by nearly all seedsmen in America, Europe, Australia, and even in India and Africa.

The sales of CUPID have been enormous and show a considerable profit this year. Such a result, however, is possible only because during the past twenty years we have gained the confidence not only of American planters, but also of seedsmen throughout the world.

While we continue our original plan of selling an “introduction” collection of seeds at a nominal price, yet much of our advertising now is of THE FARM ANNUAL.

An important factor is the moral influence which advertising exerts upon our several hundred thousand regular customers. If our advertisements did not appear in the leading papers and magazines some of our customers would not be reminded of the fact that they had received THE FARM ANNUAL, which may have been laid aside and forgotten.

Advertising is as necessary an annual expenditure as the payment of taxes or rent. Some small seedsmen argue that, because they conduct their business in the country and advertise but little, they can sell good seeds for less money. Such a claim is as senseless as it would be for a small shopkeeper, with little capital, to say that because he does not have the expense of a great store he can sell goods cheaper.

Now that some papers and magazines decline to insert advertisements of a fraudulent or grossly exaggerated character, the confidence of readers in such mediums is increasing. Intelligent buyers realize that a good thing is worth advertising, and thus, making more sales, instead of increasing *advertising actually reduces the cost of the goods.* It is appropriate to quote the well-considered advice of that shrewd Philadelphian, Ben Franklin,—“My son, deal with men who advertise.”

We dislike sensational advertising, but appreciate an expressive headline. Our motto is, “**BURPEE'S SEEDS GROW and Are the BEST that Grow.**” This is free from the vulgarity of such a claim as “———’s Seeds are the Best,”—stating simply that our seeds are *the best that it is possible to produce.*

It is some years since we first wrote, “**It is an admitted fact that we supply seeds direct to many more planters than do any other seedsmen,**” and yet recently several houses have made similar claims, without foundation in fact. However, we seldom notice any statements made by competitors which may be false, whether intentionally or not.

No one house should attempt to cater to all classes of trade. There are, of course, ignorant buyers who want either “something for nothing,” or who are so gullible as to be misled by extravagant descriptions and preposterous claims. Again, it would seem as if there were some people who, as Barnum said, “love to be humbugged.”

After having written the above I find that the central thought is expressed admirably by the FARM NEWS:—“It costs an immense amount of money to advertise extensively; no business concern could or would long keep it up unless it pays, and no advertisement can pay the advertiser unless it also pays the reader. Value for value is the rule that must finally obtain in all transactions; you may fool the people now and then, but it is the man who gives full value for what he receives who wins permanent prosperity.”

### \* 21 YEARS IN BUSINESS.

As explained in this article, our present business was established in 1876. A young man becomes “of age” at twenty-one, and it is but proper that we should take some notice of our **twenty-one years in the seed business.**

It so happens that Mr. Nathaniel C. Fowler, Jr., the well-known advertising expert, of New York, has just published a large book entitled “**FOWLER'S PUBLICITY,**” of which an important feature is the department entitled “**GREAT ADVERTISERS,**” “written by men of success,” and giving “original and specially prepared articles on ‘How I Made Advertising Pay’ by the leading business men,—representing every department of successful business.” Our house was selected as representative of the seed business, and the article (condensed) is reprinted from this great book (price \$15.00). It may be of interest to those who plant **BURPEE'S SEEDS.**

Those who desire fuller information as to “Modern Methods of the Seed Trade” are referred to the interesting article under this title by Mr. C. L. Allen in the World's Fair Book, “**SELECTION IN SEED GROWING.**” For a complete pen picture, with illustrations direct from photographs, of our methods in growing and testing seeds, we would refer to “**A YEAR'S WORK AT FORDHOOK FARM,**” by E. J. Wheelock. The price of these books is *10 cents each*, but **both will be mailed** at one time to any address for **14 cents**,—or seven two-cent stamps.

W. ATLEE BURPEE & Co.

A NEW DEPARTURE FOR 1897.

# 25 Cts.' Worth of Seeds EXTRA will be allowed on each ONE DOLLAR sent for Seeds in PACKETS and OUNCES.

As stated on second page of cover, we have always allowed the purchaser to select *Twenty-five cents' worth of seeds in packets EXTRA* for each one dollar sent us for seeds in packets. For 1897 we have decided to allow this same **liberal premium** also on seeds in OUNCES,—with the only exception of *Cauliflower and Flower Seeds* priced at more than 25 cts. an ounce.

Thus, any one sending us **\$1.00** can select **seeds in PACKETS and OUNCES** to the value of **\$1.25**; for **\$2.00**, seeds in **PACKETS and OUNCES**, to the value of **\$2.50**; for **\$3.00**, seeds in **PACKETS and OUNCES** to the value of **\$3.75**, and so on.

☞ This **liberal premium** is the same as a **discount of TWENTY PER CENT.** on seeds in packets and ounces. This brings down the *net price* of all packets listed at five cents to **four cents**; packets and ounces priced at ten cents to **eight cents**; packets and ounces at fifteen cents to **twelve cents**. Varieties priced at twenty-five cents *per ounce* now actually cost only *twenty cents net.* ☞

With the reduced bulk prices, this new plan of **including OUNCES** in our liberal discount enables us to say boldly that, quality considered,

## BURPEE'S SEEDS are the lowest-priced GOOD SEEDS.

This discount applies **ONLY** to orders of **ONE DOLLAR, or more, for seeds in PACKETS and OUNCES.** We fill an order for twenty-five cents as carefully as one for twenty-five dollars, **BUT we cannot afford to allow this liberal Discount UNLESS** the seeds in **packets and ounces** amount to one dollar. ☞ It should be understood plainly that this discount does **not** apply to seeds by the *quarter-pound, pound, pint, or quart*, nor to **BULBS or PLANTS** upon which the prices are **net.** Please do not ask us to include *any of these* in this rate of discount or to send such as “*premiums.*” We fill all orders liberally, but there is a point beyond which we cannot afford to go.

Please notice the **reduced prices on all our BOOKS** this season. We allow **all BOOKS to be included**, with the *packets and ounces* of seeds, at the same rate of **\$1.25 for each \$1.00.**

W. ATLEE BURPEE & CO., Seed Growers, Philadelphia.



**BURPEE'S FARM ANNUAL** is mailed, as soon as published each year, to all our regular customers. The edition is so large, however, that although we employ the largest bindery in Philadelphia, it takes six weeks to complete mailing to all the States. Beginning the middle of December we mail first to California, then to Texas, Louisiana, Alabama, and the other Southern States; then to the Western States, so that it is the middle of January before we can begin on Pennsylvania and New Jersey, following with New York and the New England States and ending with Canada, the last of January. The illustration above was engraved from a photograph taken in front of our warehouse in January, 1896, as a load of Farm Annuals done up in mail sacks was about to start for the post-office.

After supplying our customers, we continue to mail thousands of copies every day, **FREE**, to applications which come both from advertising and the kind recommendations of our friends. **Free**—We would like to place **BURPEE'S FARM ANNUAL FOR 1897** in the hands of every planter who desires to get **The BEST SEEDS that Grow**. We are pleased to receive requests saying that, "Your seeds were recommended by a neighbor."

**An Invitation** to visit **FORDHOOK FARM** is open always to our customers. Omnibusses meet every train on arrival at Doylestown, (thirty-two miles from Philadelphia). It gives us pleasure to show freely everything of interest on any day, except Sunday. Our best customers are those who know us best.

## Two Useful Books for the MILLION.

### VEGETABLES FOR THE HOME GARDEN.

This is really a **30-cent book**, but it is so obviously needed by everyone that we offer it to our customers at the merely nominal charge of **ten cents**.

It is a brief, clear, and reliable book of 125 pages, illustrated with more than 75 engravings, including a map of the Life Zones of the United States.

**PART FIRST** treats of the Location and Management of the Home Garden, Soils, Drainage, Manuring, Composting, Concentrated Manures, Hotbeds and Cold Frames, Selection of Seed, Preparation and Planting, Climate, etc.

**PART SECOND** gives accurate and complete Cultural Directions for all Culinary Vegetables described in **BURPEE'S FARM ANNUAL**, with Notes on Varieties and Time Required from Planting until Vegetables are Ready for Use.

In the Appendix are revised Planting Tables for Vegetables, Grass, and Forage Crops, Weights of Agricultural Commodities, Formulas for Insecticides, and Tables of Annual Rainfall for all the States of the Union.

The book has been compiled from our own publications, the trial records of **FORDHOOK FARM**, and a comprehensive manuscript on general gardening,—which has not been published, for which we paid **five hundred dollars**.

**Fully Illustrated. Price, 10 cts., postpaid.**

This new book tells how to grow successfully flowers from seed, both indoors and out. It has been written by **E. D. DARLINGTON**, who for many years has been the general superintendent of our Trial Grounds. Few writers have had such opportunities to *learn flowers*, and what he knows the author tells in language that can be easily understood.

**Fully Illustrated. Price, 10 cts.**

**Both Books, postpaid, for 16 cts. (eight 2-cent stamps).**

### FLOWERS for EVERY HOME.

For **25 cts.** we will mail both the above, and also **Sweet Peas Up-to-Date.**



# New Introductions for 1897

Choice VEGETABLES and Beautiful FLOWERS.

On these pages of pink paper we describe only New Vegetables and Flowers that are offered by us for the first time. Unlike many so-called "NOVELTIES," all of these are **absolutely pure** and come true to the descriptions, which have been written carefully at FORDHOOK FARM, from notes taken during growth. It is our rule to introduce only desirable **NOVELTIES that are thoroughly established.**

As an example of the extreme care exercised, we would state that it was our intention to introduce, this year, THE PINK PRIZE-TAKER ONION, of which we had a beautiful painting from nature, already engraved, when, upon harvesting this season's crop of bulbs, it was found, that notwithstanding five years' selection, a percentage still came "off-color." Therefore the introduction of this grand new Onion will be postponed. We are fortunate, however, in having another onion, of even greater value for general cultivation, ready to introduce,—THE AUSTRALIAN BROWN, as described below.

## 1897 is The Banner Year for SWEET PEAS.

Never before have so many **First-Class NOVELTIES** been introduced. Our position as **HEADQUARTERS FOR SWEET PEAS** is emphasized this year by the introduction of six grand, named varieties, the wonderful new AMERICAN SEEDLINGS, and twelve ECKFORD NOVELTIES. *Never before has such a rare treat been in store for lovers of SWEET PEAS,—the People's Flower.* See Testimony of an Expert,—page 16.

The **COMPLETE SET** of New **SWEET PEAS**, now first offered, including Eckford's Twelve Novelities, our own six new Named Varieties, *Burpee's New American Seedlings*, and the unique little *Red Riding-Hood*,—in all **Twenty packets**,—will be mailed for **\$1.75.**

Purchasers are entitled to select **TWENTY-FIVE CENTS' WORTH** extra for each **ONE DOLLAR'S WORTH ORDERED** of seeds in **PACKETS and OUNCES**, as explained on **page 3.**

## Long-Keeping AUSTRALIAN BROWN ONION.

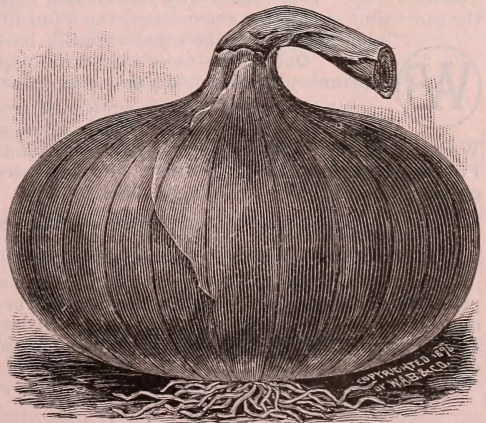
All efforts to introduce American Onions into Australia have failed, because Australian seedsmen claimed that they had an Onion better than any of ours. We found that the Onion, grown almost exclusively in Australia, is the one which we offer now under the name of **AUSTRALIAN BROWN.** From the best stock that could be obtained in Australia splendid bulbs were grown in 1895 and a fine crop of seed harvested in 1896, *which can be obtained only direct from us.* Onions are grown extensively in Australia, and as practically every grower confines himself to this one variety, there is naturally great rivalry among seedsmen to have the best seed of so important a crop. Just as in America improved strains of the old Philadelphia Extra Early Pea have been given different names, so in Australia this Onion has a like multiplicity of names. The two leading names are **MARKET MODEL** and **BROWN GLOBE.** As the onions however, are not perfectly globular (being much earlier than any true globe-shaped onion), we call it simply **AUSTRALIAN BROWN ONION.**



**THE AUSTRALIAN BROWN ONION** is of medium size, wonderfully hard and solid, and most attractive for market, both as to form and appearance. The illustration was

engraved from a photograph, while the painting on the last cover page was made from nature, but fails adequately to show the handsome appearance of these beautiful onions. They are **extremely early** in ripening, and **never make any stiff-necks or scallions.** Every seed seems to produce a good-sized onion, and the bulb begins to form very quickly,—when the plant is not over three inches high. Planted near the *Red Wethersfield*, it proved to be **nearly four weeks** earlier and ripened off more uniformly. It has the reputation of keeping indefinitely, and we think from its firmness and hardness that it **will keep in good condition longer than any other Onion known.**

The color of the skin is a deep amber-brown. So widely contrasted from any other Onion is this color that it will be noticed on market, and when once bought, purchasers will be most likely to return and call again for "those beautiful brown onions."



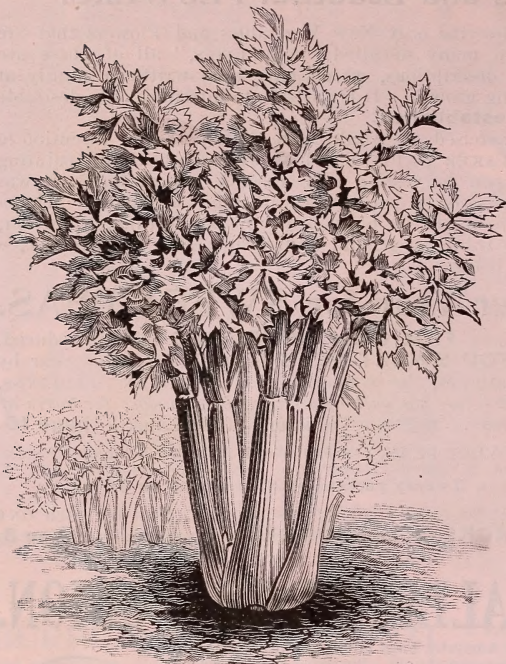
AUSTRALIAN BROWN ONION.

Per pkt. (of 500 seeds) 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; ½ oz. 30 cts.; per oz. 50 cts., postpaid.

For all other ONIONS,—see pages 55 to 59.

See Page 15 for Five NOVELTIES FOR 1898, Given Free for Trial.

## ROSE-RIBBED PARIS SELF-BLANCHING CELERY.



NEW ROSE-RIBBED PARIS CELERY.

fully ripe. The long, straight, handsome fruits are almost entirely free from "warts and spines." Most

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.

The illustration herewith, together with the painting from nature on the back cover page, will give a fair idea of this most beautiful new Celery. Our customers will be anxious to secure this variety when we state that it is a sport of the *Golden Self-Blanching Celery*, described on page 37, and possesses all the good qualities for which this variety has become so famous. It has the same beautiful, rich golden-yellow color, is self-blanching to the same remarkable degree, and differs only in the color of the ribs. These are of a very attractive shade of rose, which deepens as the season advances. This ornamental feature gives the whole plant a most pleasing appearance, that cannot fail to make it of even greater value for market, while no celery could be of finer quality for table use. *Most highly recommended.*

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 40 cts.; per oz. 75 cts.

## Cucumber,— "The EMERALD."

This beautiful new Cucumber is a seedling of the White Spine, and retains all the good points of its parent, with the addition of a very rich, dark-green skin, entirely free from spines. It is *strictly an evergreen*, retaining its color until produced early and abundantly. It is

## NEW CUCUMBER,—FORDHOOK PICKLING.

This distinct new Cucumber is the result of a cross of a European variety on the *Cool-and-Crisp*. It is wonderfully prolific, and might be termed a *continuous bearer*. Planted at the same time with other Cucumbers, the FORDHOOK PICKLING will continue to bear pickles plentifully after the other varieties have ripened their fruit and ceased to produce more. One of the most important requisites for a crisp, tender pickle is that the Cucumber should have a *thin skin*,—this is a feature of the FORDHOOK PICKLING.

A strong and vigorous grower, it produces a greater length of vine and more fruits than any other variety. It has taken seven years to attain its present uniformity. We are sure that canners, market gardeners, and private planters will be delighted with the FORDHOOK PICKLING CUCUMBER. It originated with Chauncey P. Coy, the well-known grower in Nebraska, who, on September 19, 1896, wrote us as follows:—

"We think you are now in possession of the **very best pickling Cucumber** known to us; its habit of keeping up its supply of pickles, after such varieties as *Green Cluster*, *Jersey Pickle*, *Early Frame*, *New Everbearing*, etc., etc., have quit setting on, is a strong point in its favor."

On the back cover we show a single specimen painted from nature. An illustration is printed also on each packet and ounce package of the seed. The seed can be had this season only in our sealed packets and packages, each bearing our registered trade-mark monogram. In order that market gardeners and canners may obtain sufficient seed to plant a large area we offer the new FORDHOOK PICKLING CUCUMBER at very moderate prices.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid by mail.

**The PINK Prize-Taker Onion.** As announced on preceding page, this does not yet come quite true from seed, but it is so fine an onion that we have decided to distribute **One Hundred Thousand Sample Packets FREE for trial** this season, and offer liberal **CASH PRIZES** for the heaviest and best bulbs grown from this seed. Any customer whose order amounts to fifty cents, or more, can have **one packet FREE, if asked for.** This is given in addition to the **NOVELTIES FOR 1898**, also offered **Free for Trial**, on page 15.

For twenty years Unequaled Record of OUR OWN INTRODUCTIONS.—See page 84.



**NEW CARROT,—  
Long Yellow, Stump-Rooted.**

This distinct new Carrot produces long, tapering roots, rounded at the end, of good size, and of true yellow color. Of most excellent quality for the table, it keeps well, and is productive enough to be grown for stock feeding. The carrots present the handsome appearance shown in the illustration. Like the famous *Oxheart* and *Chantenay*, this originated also in France. Last season we sent out some sample packets for trial, and all our customers who have written us are very enthusiastic in its praise.

We quote: "I was surprised at their size, beauty, and fine grain."—"Among nineteen varieties, they won first premium at our fair."—"It is better than any I have ever tried."—"I measured one eighteen inches long and about two and one-half inches in diameter."—"It is a good yielder, with roots smooth and straight."

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.



**Dwarf Bean,—Rogers' "LIMA WAX."** Last year we distributed several thousand packets, for trial, labeled **New Dwarf Wax Bean, No. 40.** The dwarf plants are of an unusual branching habit, with dense, thick foliage, which completely covers the pods while growing. The pods are of a beautiful light lemon color, broad and flat; while not entirely stringless, they are tender and of fine flavor when young; very prolific. Each packet contains about one hundred of the small white beans. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per pint 50 cts., postpaid.

**PRE-HISTORIC CORN.** So-called because it is claimed that the seed was found in sealed earthen vessels at Marked Tree, Ark., "placed there at least three thousand years ago, fifteen feet under ground." However this may be, it is certainly a distinct and novel variety. Mr. J. H. BEAGLEY, Sibley, Ill., the well-known corn specialist and publisher of *The Corn and Hog Journal*, sent us a small sample for testing at FORDHOOK FARM. It grew vigorously, producing tall stalks with long, broad leaves, and took a firm hold in the ground. The ears, of medium size, about eight inches long, are well filled with fourteen rows of grains of the dent type, but of a beautiful bronze color, quite unlike any other corn.

The introducer says: "Search could be made over our whole country, and no Corn similar to it in stalk, blade, ear, or style of growth would be found. While growing, the stalks and blades have a peculiar bluish color, and on the young ears the grains are green, instead of white. . . . This Corn is truer to type than nine-tenths of the thoroughbred Corn of the present day. The prevailing color is bronze, varying from dark to light, and the ears have a beautiful silken appearance or finish. . . . Grown in Northern Illinois, it matured long before frost, and was hard and dry enough to crib September 1st. . . . It easily surpasses any of our present day corn in yield. . . . As a table Corn it is as sweet as Sugar Corn, while its color, green, gives it a distinct value as a great novelty."

Per pkt. of 100 grains, 25 cts., or 5 pkts. for \$1.00; per package of 300 grains, 50 cts.

**LETTUCE,—Italian Ice.** This is entirely distinct from the now famous *Iceberg*, described on page 45. While the head is similar in form, it is more sharply conical. The broad, outer leaves grow well around the head, which is erect and very solid. The edges of the leaves are lacinated; outer color light green, within a beautiful creamy-white. Tender, very crisp, and refreshing to the taste.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per oz. 35 cts.

**New Musk Melon,—IRONCLAD.** This new Melon is of medium size, round-oval in shape, densely netted, and second-early in season. The flesh is thick, deep yellow in color, and intensely sweet in flavor. The skin is thick and leathery, making it "a perfect shipper." Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**New Watermelon,—KLECKLEY SWEETS.** Sweetest of All Large Melons,—see page 67.

**New Watermelon,—BLACK DIAMOND.** Of round form, with handsome dark green skin, this new Melon is an excellent shipper, and is already grown largely for market. The bright red flesh is, however, stringy and of poor quality, being, in this respect, like the *Kolb's Gem*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 70 cts.

**XXX TRIPLE X EXTRA EARLY PEAS.** There are more Extra Early Peas sold annually than all other varieties combined. There is, of course, great rivalry among growers to have the "EARLIEST OF ALL." This new strain has been developed by an extensive grower, who has sold, for the first time, a few hundred bushels, crop of 1896, to several leading seedsmen, including ourselves. While an extra fine strain, we failed to discover in our comparative trials at FORDHOOK FARM, the past season, that it was any earlier than BURPEE'S BEST EXTRA EARLY, described on page 61. The grower is so enthusiastic of this *pet novelty*, however, that we have decided to offer his original seed, that planters generally may give this new strain a thorough trial. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid. By express or freight: Per quart 30 cts.; 2 qts. 50 cts.; 4 qts. 75 cts.; peck \$1.25; per bushel \$4.00.

**The New Early Thoroughbred POTATO,—see page 143.**

## ASPARAGUS PEA.—BEAUTIFUL AS A FLOWER. EXCELLENT AS A VEGETABLE.



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THE WINGED ASPARAGUS PEA, distributed for advance trials last season, has called forth many letters of praise, both on account of its beautiful growth and fine flavor when the young pods are cooked like asparagus or string beans. Of neat, spreading habit, about ten inches high; each plant covers a circular space two feet in diameter. The deep red or scarlet flowers in profusion make a pleasing contrast with the light green, clover-like leaves. The pods, borne erect in pairs, from one hundred to two hundred on a plant, are two to three inches long, with fringed wings, as shown in the illustration. It is very hardy, easy to grow, and excites curiosity wherever seen. It is the *Lotus Tetragonolobus*.

Per pkt. of 200 seeds, 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

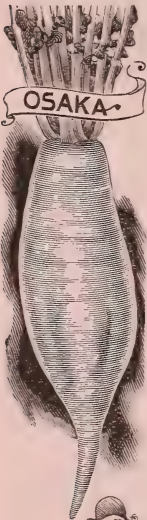
## An Interesting CIRCULAR,

giving the Prize Reports of 1896, with directions for cooking, will be sent FREE with every packet. This Circular will be helpful also in showing the style of Reports we want for the Cash Prizes in connection with our NOVELTIES for 1898 to be given Free for Trial,—see page 15.

## Tomato—"HONOR BRIGHT."

Of excellent table quality, the large, solid fruits are borne abundantly in clusters of three to five. At first the fruit is light green, then an attractive waxy white, then lemon, changing to rich, bright red when ripe. The tomatoes are remarkable for their long-keeping qualities, and are specially recommended for shipping. The foliage is greenish-yellow, but of vigorous growth. A packet contains fifty seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00.



**New Winter Radish,—OSAKA.** The seed which we offer is American grown, from the original seed imported by us from Japan. The illustration has been engraved accurately from a photograph, but is, of course, too small to give an adequate idea of the handsome appearance of these magnificent large radishes. Very crisp and brittle; both the skin and flesh are pure white. The radishes are of large size, and might be called "half-long" in shape. A fair specimen will measure nine inches in length by about three inches in diameter, tapering abruptly.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.

**CINCINNATI MARKET.** This fine strain of the *Long Scarlet Short-Top* Radish has been selected for thirty years. "The tops are so small that the radishes may stand touching each other in the rows. They grow perfectly straight and smooth, and from six to seven inches in length. Their attractive, glossy, scarlet-colored skin is very thin, and the flesh crisp and brittle and of delightfully pungent flavor; it has a clear, waxy, transparent appearance. Without doubt it is the finest *Long Red Radish for forcing*." Equally as good for the open ground.

Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 70 cts., postpaid. By express: 60 cts. per lb.

**Extra Early Radish,—RUBY-PEARL.** The earliest Radish of its color in cultivation to-day. It makes fine radishes ready for the table in seventeen to twenty days from the time of sowing the seed. It is desirable not only on account of its rapid growth, but also for its uniform size, smooth, round form, and bright red skin in striking contrast to the snowy whiteness of the tip. The flesh is of the purest white, crisp, and pleasantly pungent to the taste. Last season we distributed gratis for trial several thousand packets of seed labeled "New Forcing Radish, No. 1548." All our customers, so far as heard from, have been most enthusiastic, both as to its quality and quick growth. It is valuable alike for forcing or growing in the open ground.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00.

## NEW LEAFLESS RADISH.

The Extra Early Forcing Radishes (such as *Ruby-Pearl* and *Earliest White*) lately introduced are remarkable for the small size of their leaves; they grow so quickly that the roots are practically in advance of the leaves. This character is still more noticeable in this new variety, which, for that reason is called LEAFLESS. In fact, the seed-cotyledons, which assume a great development from the start, are the only green parts to be seen on the plants until the root is almost large enough for pulling. At that time only one or two very short leaves are produced, which are quite distinct, being rough and deeply crumpled. The illustration herewith shows the remarkable appearance of these handsome little radishes. The skin is of a beautiful bright color, and the crisp, tender flesh of most excellent quality. It is an extremely shy seeder, and we can sell it this season only in small packets, each containing about two hundred seeds.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



THE NEW LEAFLESS RADISH.

All other RADISHES,—see pages 68 to 70.

# Eckford Novelties in SWEET PEAS.

American-Grown Seed now Offered for the First Time.

The ECKFORD NOVELTIES described below were sold by HENRY ECKFORD last spring at 2s.6d. per packet of twenty seeds. We purchased several thousand packets, from which we have grown crops *carefully rogued*, and are confident that these Novelties cannot be had elsewhere of equal purity. Below we give Mr. Eckford's own description, followed by the description of Mr. Hutchins, taken from his new book, SWEET PEAS UP-TO-DATE, advertised on page 13.

**ALICE ECKFORD.** Rich, cream-tinted cerise standards, white wings; a refined, beautiful flower; *the most chaste variety ever offered*.—ECKFORD.

Very dainty form; creamy white, with just a tinting of purplish-violet.—HUTCHINS.

Although the flowers are not of the largest size, they are *extremely pretty and borne most profusely*. It is such a vigorous grower that many of the trusses have three and four flowers. At FORDHOOK FARM it excited universal admiration. *A packet contains more than forty seeds.*

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.; 5 ozs. for \$1.00.

**CAPTIVATION.** Rosy-purple self, finely expanded, shell-shaped standard; a charming novelty, quite distinct and beautiful.—ECKFORD.

A rosy-purple inclining to light magenta; a distinct color; it has a large, shell-shaped standard.—HUTCHINS.

This is a new color in Sweet Peas. Generally the ruby-purple color in flowers is dull, but in CAPTIVATION the ruby tint seems to rise out of the purple,—a sort of living color. When the sun shines upon the flower the shadings are charming. The past summer a leading seedsman from England said to us: "I do not think there is anything else in the whole range of Sweet Peas equal to that color. CAPTIVATION is really *captivating*."

*Each packet contains thirty seeds.*

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 40 cts.; per oz. 75 cts.

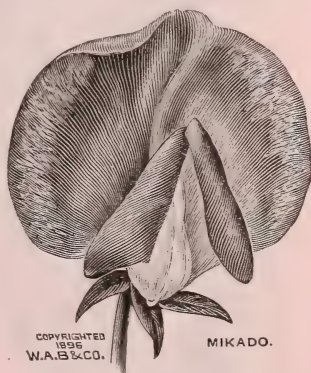
**MIKADO.** Deep orange-cerise ground, striped white; of exquisite form and good size; a very pleasing and desirable Novelty.—ECKFORD.

An orange-cerise ground, veined with white stripes; of large size and form, producing mostly large blossoms of better color than the Eckford description.—HUTCHINS.

Like AURORA, this is a seedling from Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain, but is not so brilliant in color. The flower is similar to Ovid, but with narrow white stripes. *See illustration.*

*Each packet contains more than forty seeds.*

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; 5 ozs. for \$1.00, postpaid.



**COUNTESS OF ABERDEEN.** White, margined with pale pink; finely formed standards; a distinct, charming flower, very lovely.—ECKFORD. *Each packet contains fifty seeds.*

One of the best of the set. It breaks into two varieties, one being almost white, margined with pale pink; the other making a soft flesh-pink that may be called an improved *Blushing Beauty*.—HUTCHINS.

From the prevailing type we would describe it as a self-colored soft pink, with a tendency to turn lighter as the flowers grow older, giving it the appearance of a pink edged or blush.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.; 5 ozs. for \$1.00, postpaid.

**CROWN JEWEL.** Pale standards, tinted and veined with violet-rose; the wings creamy, slightly tinted with rose; a most profuse bloomer. The rows the past season have been literally bedecked with flowers.—ECKFORD.

This has won much praise from the California growers; in their letters to the writer it has been pronounced of excellent merit. It is a cream-primrose ground, shaded and veined with violet-rose; wings the same. The stock this year will probably show it as the fine form in which the writer saw it at Mr. Eckford's place in England.—HUTCHINS. *Each packet contains forty seeds. See flowers painted from nature on the lithographed leaflet enclosed.*

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.; 5 ozs. for \$1.00, postpaid.

**LITTLE DORRITT.** Carmine-tinted pink; standard of finest form; large white wings, the colors beautifully harmonized.—ECKFORD.

This is Mr. Eckford's latest production in the line of carmine-pink standard with white wings. If it does as well here as it does in England it will be the leading pink-and-white.—HUTCHINS.

*Each packet contains more than forty seeds. See flowers painted from nature on the lithographed leaflet enclosed.*

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per oz. 40 cts.

The six Eckford Novelties named above could be obtained last year only in the original Eckford packets, and on account of the high price were not offered for sale in America. We offer each variety at **TEN CENTS per packet**, or **ANY three packets for 25 cts.** The Set of Six (or any six packets) for **50 cts.**, postpaid. Never before has it been possible to get good American-grown seed of Eckford's Novelties at so moderate a price the first year.

**SWEET PEAS UP-TO-DATE.** This new book gives a complete history of the Sweet Pea, including descriptions of all known varieties, with date of introduction of each. It is both interesting and instructive; illustrated. Price **TEN CENTS**, postpaid.

# Burpee's New SWEET PEAS for 1897.

We predict that a new *impetus* will be given to the growing popularity of SWEET PEAS by the introduction of our superb NOVELTIES FOR 1897. The six varieties described faithfully upon this and the following pages are thoroughly established, and come true from seed. They make the most remarkable Set of Novelties ever introduced in any one year.

## Burpee's "AURORA."

It is impossible to overpraise the striking beauty of this gigantic-flowered new Sweet Pea. The flowers are of fine substance, full expanded form (as shown in the illustration), and are *truly gigantic in size*. The immense flowers are borne three and four on a stem; the stems are extra long and strong. The vines are vigorous in growth and

bloom most profusely. The color effect is gorgeous; both standard and wings are flaked and striped on a white ground, with bright orange-salmon. For bunching alone, or to brighten a bouquet of assorted colors, nothing could be more effective.

Grown at FORDHOOK FARM, among more than one hundred varieties of Sweet Peas, it excited the immediate attention of all visitors, on account of the enormous size and wonderful brilliancy of the flowers. Each "packet" contains more than thirty seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00.

Passing further we came to a patch of Cupid Sweet Pea, which looked beautiful, almost covering the ground with their white flowers. This variety has been watched closely this season for "sports," but so far without avail, coming very true at all times. The varieties introduced by W. A. Lee Burpee, namely, Gray Friar, Oddity, Ramona, Juanita, and Daybreak, were looking fine. We came upon the novelties that are to be introduced this coming season, and some of them have bright futures; for instance, the salmon-striped sweet pea (AURORA), possessing the finest form and texture.—

From THE AMERICAN FLORIST, Chicago, August 1, 1896.

Burpee's New Dwarf Sweet Pea CUPID,—see page 96.

## BURPEE'S SCARLET SWEET PEA,—"BRILLIANT."

This supplies the need for a bright Scarlet Sweet Pea of improved form. The flowers are of good substance; medium to large in size; the broad standard is inclined to hood, while the wings are well spread. The color is of a rich, bright *crimson-scarlet*. The wings nearly equal the standard in intense richness of color. The flowers are borne three on a stem. A most important point is in the fact that the flowers retain their full brilliancy of color under the hottest sun,—*never becoming marbled or burned*.

A "packet" contains thirty seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00.

BURPEE'S NEW SCARLET is a very desirable variety. The originator has described it as "the new cardinal form of Mrs. Eckford." The color is a bright crimson-scarlet, both standard and wings being uniform in color. Unlike any other cardinal or scarlet sweet pea, the flowers of this variety withstand the hottest summer sun, retaining the full brilliancy of color without becoming burned. *It is far superior to either Ignea or Firefly in both color and form.*

NEW COUNTESS.—This is another novelty of Mr. Burpee's, and is a valuable acquisition. It is on the style of Countess of Radnor, but lighter in color, and is entirely free from the rosy blush in standard of latter.—From THE FLORIST'S EXCHANGE, New York, July 25, 1896.



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"BRILLIANT"

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## Burpee's New Sweet Pea,—CREOLE.

A chance seedling from *Lemon Queen*, the flowers are of the same open, expanded form. Of good substance and large size, the vines average three flowers on a stem. The standard is light pinkish-lavender, while the wings are a pure lavender. The flowers are of a most refined, delicate beauty, and yet produced profusely.

A "packet" of *Creole* contains only twenty seeds. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00.

**PLEASE NOTICE** that all the six named Sweet Peas, now introduced by us, are sold at the uniform price of **15 cts. per packet; ANY two pkts. for 25 cts., or ANY ten pkts. for \$1.00.**

**We will send the set of six,—including *Aurora*, *Brilliant*, *Creole*, *New Countess*, *Golden Gate*, *Maid of Honor*, and one packet NEW AMERICAN SEEDLINGS,—the Seven Novelties for 75 cts.**

**NOTE.**—Were we asked by a grower of cut flowers which of our six new Sweet Peas for 1897 would be of the greatest value for the florist, we would answer, **BURPEE'S NEW COUNTESS.** Wherever grown or displayed for sale we predict that it will almost completely drive out of the market Eckford's *Countess of Radnor*, popular as that famous variety is at present. The new *Celestial* Sweet Pea from Germany is the nearest approach in color to *Burpee's New Countess*, but *Celestial* is not well established.



## Sweet Pea,—BURPEE'S NEW COUNTESS.

The *Countess of Radnor* is a favorite Sweet Pea on account of its delicate lavender-mauve color and fine form. Its one fault, however, is that the standard shows a shade of reddish-mauve,—spoiling the otherwise light lavender effect. This new strain, which has been developed from a single plant selected some years ago, now comes almost absolutely true from seed. The flowers are of the largest size and are a pure light lavender throughout,—both on standard and wings. Nothing could be more beautiful than a bouquet of these dainty light flowers.

Per pkt. (of thirty seeds) 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00.

## New Sweet Pea,— GOLDEN GATE.

Its peculiar form, as shown in the illustration from a photograph, is unlike any other Sweet Pea. The flowers are of good substance and large size, with standard of fine hooded form. The novel feature is seen in the long, pointed wings, which stand upright (like the ears of a rabbit), nearly parallel with the standard. The wings never overlap or meet together, as in all other Sweet Peas. The distinct, upright form, parallel with each other, suggested the name,—**Golden Gate.**

The numerous strong stems bear three and four flowers each, while a remarkable feature is that two stems frequently grow together (united their entire length), bearing six to eight flowers on one truss. The standard is soft pinkish-mauve; wings a lighter mauve and lavender.

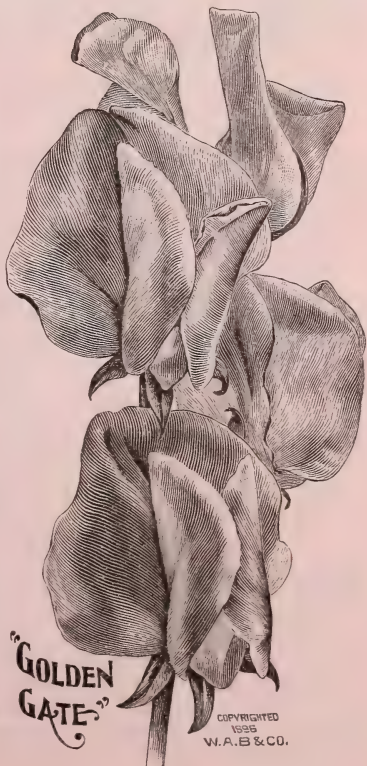
Each "packet" contains thirty seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00.

## "RED RIDING-HOOD."

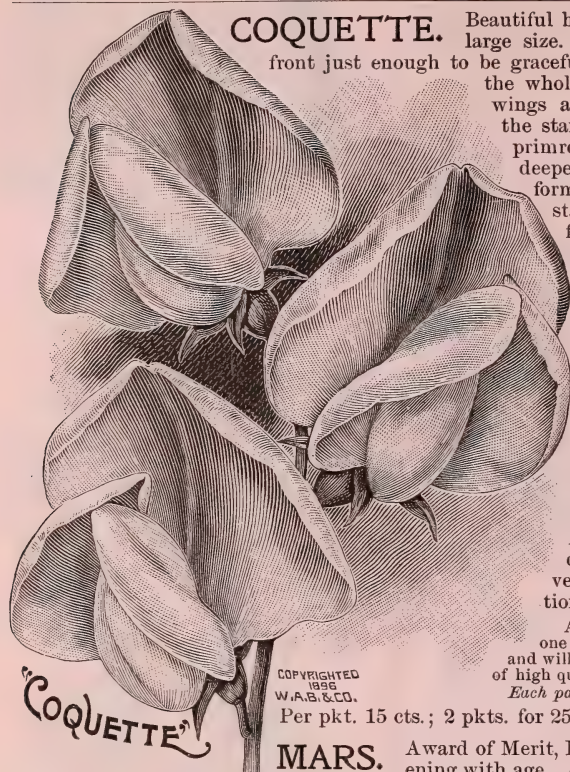
This is an entirely new departure in form, and might be called the "freak" Sweet Pea. It is named appropriately "RED RIDING-HOOD," for it is as close an imitation of a diminutive hood as could be made. The standard forms a perfect back, ruffled into the wings which form the sides, from between which peeps a bit of the white keel, quite like a face. The standard and wings are a rosy-pink, shading to bluish-white at the calyx. A "packet" contains twenty-five seeds.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; 15 pkts. for \$1.00.



# Eckford's New SWEET PEAS for 1897.

The six varieties described on this page are offered now by HENRY ECKFORD to the trade for the first time. In the new book, "SWEET PEAS UP-TO-DATE" (just published,—see opposite page), the Rev. W. T. HUTCHINS writes: "The writer saw the original rows of these in bloom at Mr. Eckford's grounds in England in the summer of 1895, and certifies that they represent his finest advance work. They average in quality the highest of any set he has sent out. The seeds of these which W. ATLEE BURPEE & Co. will sell this season will be better than the English seed itself, and will produce results equal to the high Eckford type. This stock was grown in California from the original Eckford packets by a careful and trustworthy grower."



## COQUETTE. Beautiful hooded flowers of fine substance and large size. The standard turns toward the front just enough to be graceful, without rolling over too much; the whole effect is light and dainty. The wings are a clear primrose-yellow, while the standard is shaded pale lavender on a primrose ground, the shading becoming deeper in the middle, where a crease is formed by the curving sides of the large standard. The whole effect of the flower is that of a pale yellow with a purplish-pink cast. The stem joints on the flowers are red, while in *Mrs. Eckford* and *Primrose* they are a pale green,—nearly white. We are glad to offer seed perfectly pure at a very moderate price, and agree with Mr. Eckford in calling this "a most fascinating flower." Each packet contains **thirty** seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.

## LOVELY. First-class Certificate, Edinburgh. A most pleasing shade of pink; wings delicate rose; charming color; large, very grand flower. A great acquisition.—ECKFORD.

A soft, shaded shell-pink. Although adding one more light pink to the list, it is distinct, and will be greatly admired. Its size and form are of high quality.—HUTCHINS. Each packet contains **twenty** seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.

## MARS. Award of Merit, R. H. S. Bright, fiery crimson, deepening with age. A large, finely-expanded, bold flower of the most beautiful form. A great advance on every crimson yet introduced.—ECKFORD.

Intense crimson-scarlet of the largest grandiflora form; this is the first scarlet that has reached the full size and hooded shape. The writer had the honor to name it for Mr. Eckford,—HUTCHINS. Each packet contains **twenty** seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.

## COUNTESS OF SHREWSBURY. A beautiful, clear, deep pink, suffused with a lovely shade of light purple; the wings blush pale pink, large and fine; one of the grandest Sweet Peas.—ECKFORD.

A very soft rose standard; clear white wings. A very delicate variety.—HUTCHINS. Each packet contains **twenty** seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.

## PRIMA DONNA. A most lovely shade of soft pink, of large size and fine form,—a great gem; very frequently bears four flowers on a stem, which are extremely prettily placed.—ECKFORD. Each packet contains **twenty** seeds.

This is the grandest light blush pink that Mr. Eckford has put out. It finds a place in color because a little deeper in shade than the *Royal Robe*; very large and finely formed.—HUTCHINS.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.

## ROYAL ROSE. The standards deep rosy-pink; the wings are a most charming, light rosy-pink,—almost a self-colored flower of handsome shape and immense size.—ECKFORD. Each packet contains **twenty** seeds.

A great advance on *Apple Blossom*, being of warmer shading and larger size.—HUTCHINS.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.

HENRY ECKFORD has never before had the privilege and pleasure of placing before the public such a set of Sweet Peas as the foregoing; they almost surpass his most sanguine expectations as to size, delicacy of texture, and lovely tints.—From Eckford's SELECT LIST OF SWEET PEAS, at bottom of the page describing the six varieties named above and CROWN JEWEL.



# Burpee's American Seedlings,—SWEET PEAS.

Superb new varieties not yet named,—all of the largest size, finest form, and of the most beautiful colorings.

By crossing and recrossing the finest new Sweet Peas of the *improved large-flowering type* there has occurred the most remarkable "break," which we now offer in mixture as BURPEE'S NEW AMERICAN SEEDLINGS. In gathering a bouquet of these beautiful new Seedlings we counted twenty-four distinct shades and colors. Several of these we purpose to introduce in 1898 and 1899 as named varieties, and hope to follow later with others. Meanwhile we have decided to offer for 1897 the complete collection of these wonderful new cross-bred Seedlings in mixture.

Among the shades and colors which are distributed quite evenly, is one of an almost true orange, another of lemon blush, while others are of pure cream, lemon, lemon tinted with blush, orange-red, salmon-buff, also salmon-buff with pink edge, blue-edged, light lavender, and all shades of pink from very light (nearly white) to the richest deep-rose color.

All the flowers are of fine expanded form, very largest size and of wonderful substance. This strain is remarkable also for its free-flowering character; the grand flowers are borne in profusion, three and four on a stem.

Beautiful as are many of the Novelties introduced by Henry Eckford and ourselves, *never before has such a rare treat been in store for lovers of Sweet Peas.* Several expert Seedsmen who have seen this new strain in bloom have been wildly enthusiastic over so remarkable a "break," and have agreed with us that there are at least twenty new shades and colorings.

Sold only in sealed packets, bearing our **registered trade-mark monogram** as shown herewith,—the small size on the packets, the large on the ounce bags. A "packet" contains more than fifty seeds; an ounce contains about 400 seeds.


Per pkt. 10 cts.; one-half ounce 25 cts.; per ounce 40 cts.




## Sweet Pea, "MAID OF HONOR."

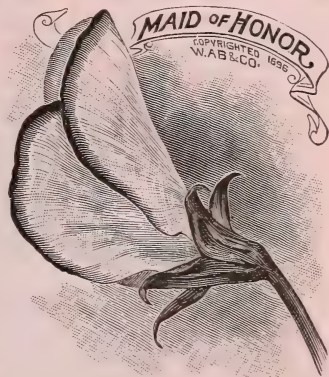
This can be described as an *Improved Light Butterfly*. It has been developed from one plant selected three years ago, and is a decided improvement both in size, form, and color. The coloring is very beautiful,—lighter than the original *Butterfly*. It is light blue on a white ground, shaded and edged. The flowers, borne three on a stem, are of the finest hooded form, entirely free from the notches so conspicuous in the original *Butterfly*, while in size and substance they are fully equal to *Lottie Eckford*.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00.

 In the illustration of a single flower we show a side view to illustrate the distinct *blue edge* and to show the entire freedom from the notches at side of standard so conspicuous in *Butterfly* and *Indigo King*.

 Like all our **NEW SWEET PEAS FOR 1897** this comes true from seed;—it will show scarcely one rogue to a hundred plants. Each "packet" contains thirty seeds.

For all other SWEET PEAS, see pages 92 to 98.




## SWEET PEAS Up-to-Date. A New Book for 1897.

In 1893 we published **ALL ABOUT SWEET PEAS**, by REV. W. T. HUTCHINS, and distributed more than fifty thousand copies. This fact called emphatically for a more complete book. Therefore, in 1894 we published the revised and enlarged edition, as advertised on page 92.

Since then rapid progress has been made in the development of new improved varieties and much knowledge has been gained from further experience under varied conditions. The REV. W. T. HUTCHINS, so well known as the leading amateur, has, of course, kept fully abreast of the times. At our request, Mr. Hutchins has written an entirely new book which will be published January 15, 1897, under the deserved title of **SWEET PEAS Up-to-Date**. In order that all lovers of Sweet Peas may have a copy of this interesting and instructive book, we offer it at the nominal price of **TEN CENTS**, or three copies for 25 cts., postpaid.

**For 25 Cts.** we will mail to any address one copy each of our popular three books for the MILLION, —**SWEET PEAS UP-TO-DATE**, **FLOWERS FOR EVERY HOME**, and the valuable new book, **VEGETABLES FOR THE HOME GARDEN**,—which should be read by everyone who has a garden. See page 4.


## The New **BEGONIA VULCAN**.—*Begonia Semperflorens Atrococcineum*.

This grand new variety originated at FORDHOOK FARM. It is a seedling of the well-known **BEGONIA VERNON**, which is so popular all over the world as the best variety for bedding on account of profusion of bloom, beautiful foliage, and hardy growth. The many good qualities of **Vernon** are intensified in the **VULCAN**, which might be called appropriately **the new Scarlet Vernon Begonia**. Planted side by side, the **VULCAN** is similar in growth and free-flowering character, while it completely eclipses the **Vernon** in the rich brilliancy of its flowers. Each plant is covered with flowers, which are of *the most intense fiery scarlet color*, even the stamens being tipped with bright red. The entire plant is so brilliant that our head-gardener says, "It looks like a mass of burning coals." **BEGONIA VULCAN** comes perfectly true from seed and stands the most intense heat of summer, growing vigorously, without wilting, even in hot weather.  See illustration on page 134.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.

## ABUTILONS, —New Fancy California Seedlings.

The **CHINESE BELL-FLOWER**, or **FLOWERING MAPLE**, is universally popular, and flower lovers generally will be delighted with the great variety of charming flowers produced by this new strain, which we secured in California last May. The flowers are of all sizes and forms. There are beautiful drooping bells, gay little parachutes, dainty swinging flowers on thread-like stems, large, flaring blossoms, sometimes measuring four inches across, flowers crinkled like crane, others shining like satin, and some so full as to be almost double. They are of all colors,—pure white, lemon-yellow, rose, scarlet, crimson, as well as yellow and red shades beautifully veined. The foliage is almost as diversified as the flowers; the leaves are of all sizes, shapes, and textures. On some plants the leaves are so small and the blossoms so brilliant that there seem to be more flowers than leaves. The plants bloom when ten to twelve inches high and delight in a rich soil and plenty of water. Per pkt. 25 cts.; half size pkt. 15 cts.

 This is remarkable, both for its freedom of flowering and peculiar ensiform foliage. The branching plant bears semi-globular, pure white flowers upon slender stalks. From forty to sixty buds are produced on each plant; these develop gradually, and thus prolong the season of bloom. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

## ASTER, —Lady in White.


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## Giant Comet ASTER, —"The BRIDE."

"White, changing to rose," is the nearest description that can be given of the lovely coloring of this new Aster. At first the flowers are pure white, while finally they become of a beautiful rose tint. Like the other Comet Asters, described on page 99, the grand double flowers have long, wavy petals, resembling those of the Japanese Chrysanthemum. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

## Aster, —PRINCESS ROSALIND.

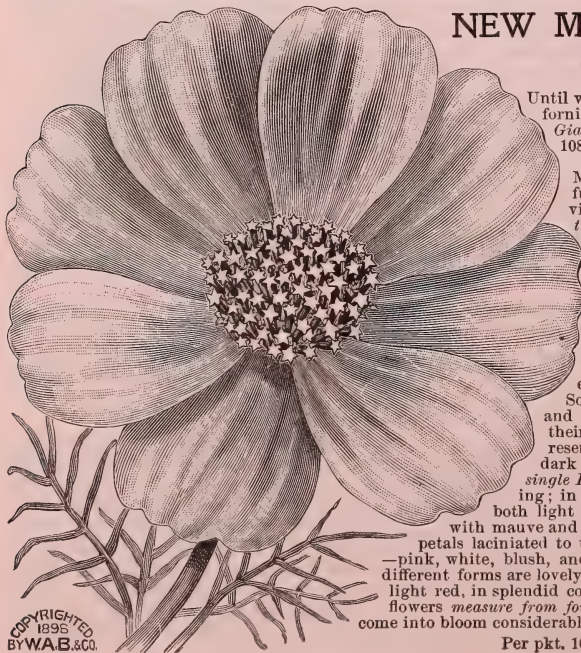
Flowers freely and continuously, bearing short-petaled Lilliput Dahlia-like flowers. "The blossoms being of a most charming bright-rose color, the whole plant possesses a beauty and elegance which few other Asters can rival." Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

 One packet each of the three New Asters described above mailed for 25 cts.

## DOUBLE DAISY, —Giant-Flowered White.

A quite distinct feature of this new variety is the large size of its beautiful flowers, which have flat petals, of a very showy white color, and are perfectly double. They are produced in great abundance above the foliage, which is much larger than in the older varieties. A valuable plant for spring decoration, grown either in the open ground or in pots. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

## NEW MAMMOTH FANCY COSMOS.



Until we saw this wonderful new strain in California last spring we hardly supposed the *Giants of California Cosmos*, described on page 108, would be surpassed for many years.

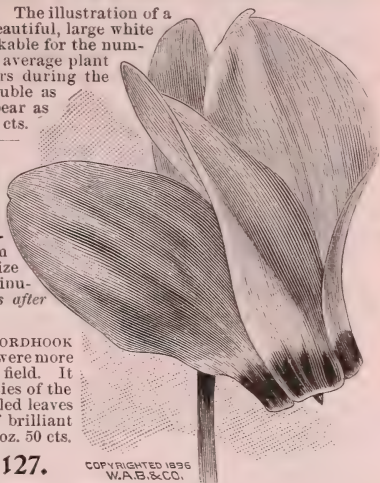
Going through a block of this new **MAMMOTH FANCY COSMOS**, which were in full bloom in May from seed sown the previous autumn, we counted nearly *thirty distinct colors and types of flowers*. It is impossible to describe adequately these exquisite new varieties. They embrace many shades of crimson and mauve, also pure white and white delicately tinted and clouded. There are monstrous white flowers, with flecked and pinked edges, and pink flowers of the same type. Many of the pink and mauve flowers have a deep red rim around the eye, which gives a striking effect.

Some of the immense flowers, both pink and white, resemble a *single Camellia*, with their broad, overlapping petals, while others resemble an *Anemone Japonica* in form. The dark crimson flowers resemble large, lovely *single Dahlias*. The tinted varieties are charming; in some the ground is white, flecked with both light and dark pink, while others are flushed with mauve and pink. Again, there are others with the petals lacinated to the very center; these are in four colors,—pink, white, blush, and crimson. The crimson shades of the different forms are lovely, glowing colors, from deepest crimson to light red, in splendid contrast with the filmy green foliage. The flowers measure from *four to five inches across*, while the plants come into bloom considerably earlier than is usual with *Cosmos*.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

## New Cyclamen,—GIANT OF CALIFORNIA.

This is an improved variety of *Cyclamen Persicum Giganteum*. The illustration of a single flower shows the exact natural size of the beautiful, large white flowers, tipped with red, while the plants are remarkable for the number of flowers borne in such rich profusion. A good, average plant the first year from seed will bear about sixty flowers during the season, while the second year it will bear fully double as many, and the third year a well-grown plant will bear as many as two hundred flowers. Per pkt. 25 cts.; half-size pkt. 15 cts.



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## Two Superb MIGNONETTES.

**ALLEN'S DEFIANCE.** Most magnificent, even in the open ground. Its full, round spikes, when grown under favorable conditions in the greenhouse, are of gigantic size, measuring from twelve to fifteen inches long, with individual flowers of enormous size and of an intensely rich perfume. The graceful spikes, borne continuously, retain their beauty and fragrance in water for two weeks after cutting. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**GOLDEN MACHET.** Few Novelties at FORDHOOK FARM the last summer were more admired than this distinct new Mignonette growing in the open field. It comes absolutely true from seed, and retains all the excellent qualities of the *Machet Mignonette*, described on page 112. Above the large, crinkled leaves are borne massive spikes, crowded with golden-yellow flowers, of brilliant color and delicious fragrance. Pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; ½ oz. 50 cts.

Princess of Wales VIOLET,—see page 127.

## JAPAN Giant-Flowered Morning Glories,—MIKADO Strain.

THE IMPERIAL JAPANESE MORNING GLORIES, described on page 113, are very fine, and the seed is imported also by us direct from Japan. Last year, however, we had at FORDHOOK a special strain, showing even finer flowers, from seed sent to us for trial by a grower who has devoted unusual attention to selecting the largest Imperial Japanese Morning Glories in a wonderful variety of colors, both of flowers and foliage. Our illustration on page 113 is from one of the distinct types of this improved strain. The grower has collected the best from all parts of Japan, and writes us that he "knows no one has such a great variety." In our own trials this MIKADO strain was superior to any that was sold in America last season. We offer this strain in packets, containing twenty seeds, as follows: Pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; 15 pkts. for \$1.00, postpaid.



**Ipomoea,—HEAVENLY BLUE.** First introduced from California, this has been renowned in Europe as "**Pride of Pekin.**" The flowers, borne profusely in large clusters, are of that indescribable heavenly blue color so rarely seen in flowers, and measure four and a half to five inches across. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**Double Morning Glory,—“WHITE TASSEL.”** The flowers are very double and fringed; pure white, with delicate purple marks in the center, while in some of the flowers there are several rows of the fringed petals on the outside. Each flower is charming, and resembles a dainty white tassel. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**Dwarf Poppy,—CHAMOIS-ROSE.** This is a beautiful new Carnation-flowered Poppy of dwarf growth. The large double flowers, gracefully fringed, are of a very pleasing and delicate tint of chamois-rose color. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**New Cucumber-Leaved SUNFLOWER,—“STELLA.”** This beautiful new variety from Germany differs from the *Helianthus Cucumerifolius*, or *Miniature Sunflower*, by its larger single flowers, of circular form and purest golden-yellow, each with a black disk. The flowers measure three inches across, borne gracefully upon long stems above the lively green small foliage. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**Tropaeolum Lobbianum,—FULGENS.** Our attention was first called to this distinct and brilliant variety in the garden of the originator, near the Hartz Mountains, Germany, August, 1895. It flowered beautifully last summer at FORDHOOK, and will help to increase the popularity of the bright-colored *Lobb's Nasturtiums*. The large flowers are of an intensely brilliant scarlet, well set off by the handsome, dark-green foliage. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 40 cts.

For all other varieties of NASTURTIIUMS,—see pages 113 to 115.

## NOVELTIES FOR 1898. Given FREE for trial.

We have some splendid Novelties for 1898, five of which we will distribute in sample packets among our customers,—FREE for trial as explained below.

These Novelties are THE GOLDEN EAGLE MELON, which the originator, the Hon. Paynter Frame of Delaware, claims to be superior in flavor to any Musk Melon now known,—a new LETUCE from Italy, a distinct new RADISH from Japan, another new SWEET PEA from California, and a beautiful new CARNATION POPPY. On each packet we print a description of the variety and offer CASH PRIZES for the best reports sent us, by October, 1897, of the advance trials made this year.



**FREE.** These Novelties are not for sale and are given this season FREE for trial ONLY to our patrons. Any customer whose seed order amounts to \$1.00 can select any one of these Novelties; with a \$2.00 order any three, or four with a \$3.00 order, or all five, if desired, with an order for \$4.00, or more.

From our own knowledge of these five novelties we believe that all are well worthy of introduction and feel sure that under the thorough trials that will be made this season in every section we can recommend them heartily in BURPEE'S FARM ANNUAL FOR 1898. We have several other grand NOVELTIES FOR 1898, of which we have not sufficient seed to send out sample packets for advance trials. Notable among these is the PINK CUPID, of which plants grown in pots will be exhibited in July next before the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society in Philadelphia, at the annual Sweet Pea Exhibition in Springfield, Mass., and also before the Royal Horticultural Society of London, England, and the Société Nationale d'Horticulture of Paris, France.

## Nearly **SIX MILLION** Packets of **BURPEE'S SEEDS**

Sold to U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

As this fact has been announced widely through the press we would state that our contract calls for completion on or before February 15, 1897. Therefore, planters in the Eastern States, who are accustomed to obtain some seeds from the Governmental distribution, need not delay ordering others from us, for fear of duplicating varieties, beyond the date named.

### GOVERNMENT SEED CONTRACT

Awarded to **W. Atlee Burpee & Co.** for the Eastern States.

It is not surprising that **W. ATLEE BURPEE & Co.**, of this city, proprietors of the Fordhook Seed Farm, near Doylestown, have been awarded the Government contract for the supply of seeds required for the Eastern States. The contract price is \$38,711. This firm has forged rapidly to the front in the seed business and is now one of the largest and best-known seed growers in the world. Integrity in business and the best quality of products have won a high and deserved reputation for the firm, and the seeds are now being sold in all parts of the United States. The great seed industry at **FORDHOOK FARM** is of paramount interest to the community in which it is located and has advertised Doylestown throughout the land as the point where Burpee & Co.'s seed farm is located.

The farm itself is one of the attractive points in this section to visiting strangers, while thousands who have been successful planters of Burpee & Co.'s seeds and place such high estimate upon them, entertain a desire to see the farm where they are grown. When it becomes generally known that this firm has secured the Government contract for the Eastern States it will no doubt cause an increased demand upon those Congressmen who will have the distribution of Burpee & Co.'s seeds.—*From THE PHILADELPHIA TIMES, September 13, 1896.*

### A GOVERNMENT CONTRACT.

**W. ATLEE BURPEE & Co.**, the well-known seedsmen of Philadelphia, whose famous **FORDHOOK FARM** is so familiar to residents of Doylestown, have been awarded the contract by the Department of Agriculture for supplying seeds for Governmental distribution to all the Eastern States this winter. The contract amounts to \$38,711, and includes all the seeds that will be distributed by the Government in Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland, New Jersey, West Virginia, Delaware, and all the New England States. Besides a number of choice field seeds, the distribution includes three hundred thousand packets of flower seeds, and five million six hundred and twenty-eight thousand packets of vegetable seeds. These seeds will all be papered and mailed from Burpee's seed warehouse in Philadelphia. As each packet, besides the name of variety and directions for culture, will bear the imprint, "Bought of **W. ATLEE BURPEE & Co.** for the Congressional seed distribution," these millions of packets will be a good advertisement for the firm in helping to prove the well-known motto that "**BURPEE'S SEEDS GROW.**"—*From the DOYLESTOWN INTELLIGENCER, September 11, 1896.*

## An **EXPERT** Opinion of our New **SWEET PEAS**

In September, 1896, we mailed an illustrated circular of our **NEW SWEET PEAS** for 1897 to the seed trade in Europe. This called forth a letter from the **REV. W. T. HUTCHINS**, which we take pleasure in printing below. It would be impossible to give higher testimony as to the value of our **SIX GRAND NOVELTIES** for 1897:—

PARSONAGE, EVANGELICAL CHURCH,  
INDIAN ORCHARD, MASS., September 28, 1896.

**W. ATLEE BURPEE & CO., PHILADELPHIA.**

*Gentlemen:*—Now that the season of summer flowers has again passed and the seedsman is turning his attention to the most important part of his new year's work,—the getting together of his stock of reliable seed,—I want to congratulate your house on the good record it has made this past year. I think the name of **BURPEE** not only stands for seeds that "GROW," but for a careful and conservative policy in the matter of merit of varieties and quality and genuineness of stock. And then, what is certainly a criterion for judging a first-class house, you can without challenge inscribe the word **PROGRESS** in large letters on your banner.

Since **SWEET PEAS** are my specialty, I can say that your introduction of **Novelties** in 1896 signaled that year by this fact,—that it is the first time that we have ever been real enthusiastic over *Sweet Pea Novelties* the first year of their introduction in this country. Your **Novelties** for 1896 had not only the merit of high excellence in their size and beauty, but they gave us no trouble in getting a healthy growth and a prolific bloom. We were able to show them in lusty bunches in our exhibitions, and they won for themselves great praise. I was greatly pleased with every one of the five, **RAMONA** coming up to the highest mark of excellence, **JUANITA** making a fine companion flower, and **GRAY FRIAR** and **ODDITY** winning an unexpected popularity. I modestly refrain from praising my **DAYBREAK**.

And now as to the **Novelties** that you are to send out for 1897. I had four of them among the trials in my garden this summer. I see that your list is to be headed by **AURORA**, and I would love to write a whole chapter on the beauty of this new acquisition. I exhibited this in Boston among forty other **Novelties** in August last, and the Massachusetts Horticultural Society awarded it a *first-class certificate*.—the first certificate, I believe, that Society has ever given a **Sweet Pea**. **Aurora** is a seedling variation from that magnificent Eckford **Novelty**, **Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain**, and has all the merit of size and form of the latter, while its rich, salmon-pink color will win for it more praise than the **Chamberlain** has ever had.

The next thing on your **Novelty** list that I am delighted to see is **BURPEE'S NEW COUNTESS**. I suppose I had the first **Countess** of **Radnor** blossoms ever seen in this country, and from that day to this I have with keen disappointment watched the steady deterioration in the color of the stock grown for our trade of this variety. The best stock of **Radnor** that can be bought is of such a poor reddish-mauve tinge that it doesn't at all represent the original beautiful lavender that **Mr. Eckford** sent out. But in your **NEW COUNTESS** you have restored the original color, and I was in some doubt as I saw it in bloom this summer whether this is not too little in its praise, for it pleased me so that I am not sure but it is better than any **Radnor** I ever saw. I know what it means to hold this color where you now have it, and to do so you will need to pay your grower a novelty price year after year for the severe roguing and the careful selection of seed plants that he will have to bestow upon it.

There is a place for a new scarlet variety, and you are filling the place very well with your **BRILLIANT**. I find that your cut and description tally with my observation as I saw it growing this summer. And I note with pleasure the honest and by no means fulsome description in your list of **CREOLE** and **GOLDEN GATE**. When I come to **MAID OF HONOR** I have this to say,—that no more popular **Sweet Pea** than **Butterfly** has ever been sent out, and I feel that in bringing out this *Improved Butterfly* you are doing just what the leading house on **Sweet Peas** ought to do. I must say a word about **RED RIDING-HOOD**. It grew and bloomed profusely, and the bright little red hoods, so unlike all other sweet peas, never for once asked whether they were on straight or not, but just seemed born for coquettish fun.

**BURPEE** will again win the banner on **SWEET PEAS** for 1897, and well he might.

Very sincerely yours,

W. T. HUTCHINS.

# BURPEE'S RELIABLE VEGETABLE SEEDS

In the following pages are listed not only all the good STANDARD VARIETIES of Vegetables, but also many NOVELTIES and SPECIALTIES of recent introduction, the intrinsic merits of which we can attest of our own knowledge. The varieties marked with OUR REGISTERED MONOGRAM were first introduced by us, and can, of course, be had in *undoubted purity* direct from us. We devote special care to the selection of stock seed and the careful "roguing" of our crops, so that we have no hesitancy in saying that not only do BURPEE'S SEEDS GROW, but also that they are the BEST SEEDS that Grow. Every variety is tested each year in our Trial Grounds, and by careful comparisons with stocks from other houses we know that it is impossible anywhere to procure better seeds than those sold by us. By our comprehensive trials we learn the merits and demerits of every known vegetable, and annually save our customers from disappointment and loss by refusing to catalogue those that are comparatively worthless. It will be noticed that this year we have included all NOVELTIES of 1896 in the following list,—the preceding pages of pink paper being devoted exclusively to New Introductions for 1897.



## SEEDS POSTPAID BY MAIL.

Please bear in mind that our prices in the following list include prepayment of postage by us on all seeds ordered by the packet, ounce, quarter pound, pound, pint, or quart. We always guarantee safe delivery of the Seeds, by mail, postpaid.

If ordered to be sent by express or freight DEDUCT 10 CTS. per lb. from prices quoted.

ON all ORDERS for SEEDS IN PACKETS and OUNCES select TWENTY-FIVE CENTS' WORTH EXTRA for Each ONE DOLLAR sent us. Thus, any one sending \$1.00 can select seeds in packets and ounces amounting to \$1.25; for \$2.00, seeds in packets and ounces to the value of \$2.50, and so on. See page 3.

## ARTICHOKE.

The Globe Artichoke is cultivated for its flower heads, which are cooked like asparagus. On account of its hardiness, easy culture, and perennial nature, this plant should be more generally grown.

**LARGE GREEN GLOBE.** The standard variety. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 30 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 85 cts.; per lb \$3.00.

**NEW EARLY VIOLET CAMPANIA.** The flower heads are formed early; are thick, fleshy, and of rich flavor. Per pkt. 15 cts.; oz. 40 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.25; per lb \$4.00.

## ASPARAGUS.

**CONOVER'S COLOSSAL.** The standard variety. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts. One-year-old roots 50 cts. per 100; 90 cts. per 100 if by mail; \$4.25 per 1000; two-year-old roots 50 cts. per 100; \$4.50 per 1000—sent by express at expense of purchaser.

**COLUMBIAN MAMMOTH WHITE.** The *New Columbian Mammoth White* "furnishes white shoots which stay white as long as fit for use, without earthing up or any other artificial blanching; and it can be absolutely depended upon to give eighty to ninety per cent. of white plants from seed." Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 85 cts. Roots, one year old, 50 for 60 cts.; \$1.00 per 100, by mail, postpaid. By express, at expense of purchaser, one-year-old roots, 75 cts. per 100; 500 for \$3.00, or \$5.50 per 1000; two-year-old, \$1.25 per 100, by mail. By express, 75 cts. per 100; 500 for \$3.50, or \$6.50 per 1000.

## BARR'S MAMMOTH ASPARAGUS.

This fine new variety originated with a well-known market gardener of this city, and has outsold all others upon the Philadelphia markets. It has brought in market thirty-five cents a bunch, when other asparagus was selling for ten and fifteen cents. The stalks are very

large, frequently an inch in diameter, with few scales; the stalks retain their thickness completely up to the top of the shoots, and have close, round heads. They are very quick-growing and beautiful light green in color; the stalks are very tender and succulent, entirely free from woolly fiber, and make shoots fit for market in a single day. A bed of this asparagus will not cut so many stalks as other sorts, but will make just as many bunches, the stalks being so much larger.

**Price of seed, per pkt.** 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00.

**Good, strong roots, one year old, 50 for 60 cts.; \$1.00 per 100, by mail, postpaid; by express, one-year-old, 65 cts. per 100; 500 for \$2.50; \$4.50 per 1000; two-year-old roots, by express, 75 cts. per 100; \$6.50 per 1000,**





**BURPEE'S STRINGLESS GREEN POD** is most happily named, as it is quite unique,—**the only stringless green-pod Bush Bean** in cultivation. It surpasses all others in crisp, tender flavor, and is also the *most prolific*. The illustration shows the width and thickness of the beautiful, straight, green pods, which are *always absolutely stringless, full and fleshy*. The pods are ready to market **two weeks earlier** than the *Improved Extra Early Red Valentine*, and earlier even than the *Early Yellow Six Weeks*, which, as all know, is valuable only for its earliness.



Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; per quart 50 cts., by mail, postpaid.

**STRINGLESS GREEN POD**, W. Atlee Burpee & Co., of Philadelphia.—*New*. Plants of medium growth. Pods four and a half to five and a half inches long, nearly round, slightly curved, light green in color, flesh tender and of the best quality. The pods remain long in edible condition; even when the beans are large the pods are not stringy. Valuable for good quality and lack of stringiness.—*From Bulletin No. 131, April, 1896, of THE MICHIGAN STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE EXPERIMENT STATION.*

## Other Green-Podded BUSH BEANS.

The following varieties, where not otherwise priced, are each **Per pkt. 10 cts.; per pint 20 cts.; quart 35 cts., postpaid.**

For prices of **BEANS in Bulk**, see page 80.

**EARLY MOHAWK.** A very hardy, productive, and early String Bean. It will endure a slight frost, and hence can be planted early.

**EARLY YELLOW SIX WEEKS.** Extra early, but not of good quality.

**ROUND YELLOW SIX WEEKS.** An improved round-podded variety of the preceding; equally as early and of better quality; very prolific.

**REFUGEE.** Hardy, productive; pods thick-fleshed; not very early.

**CHINA RED-EYE.** Pods of good quality if picked young.

**EMPEROR WILLIAM.** This is claimed to be not only the largest-podded of all Bush Beans, but also the *earliest*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

**EXTRA EARLY RED VALENTINE (Best Improved Round Pod Strain).** One of the very best snap-shorts; round, fleshy pods, which mature quickly and are of first-rate quality. This is the most popular of all green-podded beans. We have always kept abreast of the improvements made in so important a variety, and have for some years past grown a strain that is unequalled in *extra earliness and round-podded appearance*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 35 cts., postpaid.

**BEST OF ALL.** The pods are six inches long, very fleshy, succulent, and of rich flavor; they are produced early and abundantly. Altogether it is one of the most valuable green-podded beans for market or family use. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

## VARIETIES FOR SHELL BEANS.

**CHAMPION BUSH.** The pods, four to five inches in length, are of a light-green color, and contain from five to seven large, red beans, of finest flavor, either green or dry. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts.

**THE GODDARD, or BOSTON FAVORITE.** Large beans of delicious flavor, either green or dry.

**WHITE MARROWFAT.** Extensively grown in field crops for sale as a dry bean for winter use.

**PROLIFIC TREE-BEAN.** This variety, for field culture on rich soil, is very prolific; it grows to the height of eighteen to twenty inches, branching in all directions. Per pkt. 10 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.



**BURPEE'S SADDLE-BACK** is the best Wax Bean in cultivation. While productive and profitable to grow for market, the **SADDLE-BACK**, unlike many recent "novelties" is of the **most superb quality**, surpassing all other Wax Beans in the rich flavor of its stringless, fleshy pods.

### Burpee's Saddle-Back Wax Bush Bean.

In combining handsome appearance for market and rare quality for table use this is *unapproached by any other variety in cultivation*. The growth of the bush is vigorous. It is a very profuse bearer, the plants in ordinary field culture usually bearing from twenty-five to forty pods each. The pods are long, round, *very full of meat*, and are *absolutely stringless*. When the pods are broken between the beans there is no open space,—the pods being filled with meat, and can be sliced like a cucumber without showing any hollow space. We have received letters of most enthusiastic praise, with which we could fill many pages, all going to prove that **BURPEE'S SADDLE-BACK** is **unequaled in quality, with handsome, fleshy pods as thick as they are wide and always absolutely stringless**.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per pint 25 cts.; per quart 50 cts., postpaid.

See Bulk Prices, page 80.

### YOSEMITE MAMMOTH WAX BUSH BEAN.

THE **YOSEMITE**, or *Monster Wax*, combines fine quality and productiveness with enormous size. The mammoth pods average eight to ten inches in length, are the thickness of a man's finger, full of fleshy pulp, and of a rich, golden color, making a most handsome appearance either on the plant or on the table. Per package 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.

**GOLDEN WAX.** Earlier than the ordinary wax. Pods are large, long, brittle, stringless, of a rich golden wax color. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 35 cts.

**IMPROVED RUST-PROOF GOLDEN WAX.** This improved strain has greatly out-yielded other varieties in repeated comparative trials. The straight, handsome pods are thicker through, superior in quality, and are claimed by the originator to be absolutely rust-proof. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts.

**GOLDEN-EYED WAX.** Popular with market gardeners on account of its *hardy* and *prolific* character. The pods, of a bright golden yellow, present a very handsome appearance on market; they are not, however, entirely stringless. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; per quart 35 cts., postpaid.

**KIDNEY WAX.** It is very early and the pods are extra large and very handsome, both in color and form, tender and fine. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts.

**DWARF GERMAN BLACK WAX.** A popular first-early snap-short, with round, yellowish-white pods, of fine flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 35 cts.

**NEW PROLIFIC GERMAN WAX (Cylinder Pod Dwarf Black Wax).** For many years the old German Black Wax Dwarf Bean has been a great favorite, both with market gardeners and private planters, on account of the fine quality and early maturity of its tender, yellow wax pods. While this retains all the good qualities of its parent, the pods are *straighter, longer, and rounder*, while it is *more than twice as productive*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; per quart 40 cts.

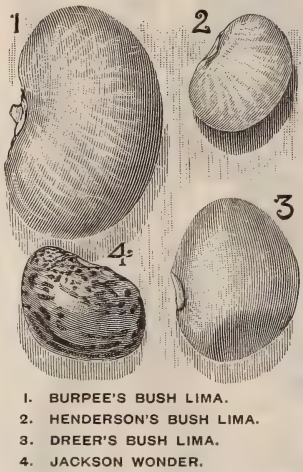
**NEW BLACK EYE WAX.** The seed is white with black markings around the eye. It is the earliest Wax Bean in cultivation; the pods are about an inch longer than the Golden Wax, and plants are vigorous in growth. It is very productive, with pods of large size. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

# The Four BUSH LIMAS

Shown in—  
Fair Comparison.

The illustration below was accurately engraved from dried beans, *exactly natural size*.

For prices of all Beans by the quart, peck, or bushel, see **Bulk Price-List, page 80.**



1. BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA.
2. HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA.
3. DREER'S BUSH LIMA.
4. JACKSON WONDER.

## BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA.

First named and introduced by us in 1890. This is the **ONLY bush form of the TRUE LARGE LIMA BEAN.** It is universally pronounced the *most valuable novelty ever introduced.* There is absolutely nothing to compare with it. The largest Lima Beans can now be raised in quantity at small cost, without the expense and labor of poles. See description on the next page.



## HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA.

While the beans are small (being of the *Sieva* or *Sewee* type, known in the South as "*butter beans*"), yet they are ready for the table *earlier* than the Large Lima, and the little pods, growing in clusters, are plentiful. The compact, dwarf bushes are of hardy growth and very prolific, bearing continuously until the end of the season. Each bush generally matures from forty to eighty pods, while under extra cultivation specimen plants have been raised which bore from two hundred to three hundred. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

## KUMERLE, or DREER'S BUSH LIMA.

This is a true bush form of the small, chubby Dreer's or Potato Pole Lima, described on page 22. The bushes grow from one and a half to two feet high, of vigorous growth and quite prolific, the prize bush in 1892 bearing one hundred and eighty-five pods. A natural size bean is shown herewith; *neither pods nor beans are nearly so large as BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA*, while they are also late in maturing. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

## JACKSON WONDER DWARF LIMA.

A prolific strain of the Speckled *Sieva*, or small Lima, of established bush character and real merit, resembling *Henderson's Bush Lima*, but larger in size of beans, with better filled pods. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

## DWARF WAX BEANS—Continued.

### BURPEE'S PERFECTION WAX.

Introduced in 1887, BURPEE'S PERFECTION WAX BEAN was developed from the Scarlet Flageolet Dwarf Wax, and named in our honor by A. H. Ansley, of Yates County, N. Y. For vigor of growth and immense productiveness it is scarcely equaled by any other Dwarf Wax Bean, the plants being loaded with the long, rich pods. The magnificent, large, golden-yellow pods are of the most handsome appearance and fine quality, being stringless, tender, and of very rich flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; per quart 45 cts., postpaid.



**DAVIS WHITE WAX.** Although a distinct new dwarf Wax Bean, in our opinion, the pods are too "stringy" and tough for it ever to become popular in the family garden. It is, however, the best *white-seeded* Wax Bean, of handsome appearance and very productive. "It is so productive that the vines are absolutely a mass of pods; it holds its pods well up from the ground. The pods are always full of large, plump beans; being pure white, with no eye, it is just the bean canners have been looking for." Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., by mail.

### BLUE-PODDED BUTTER BEAN.

This is one of the *most remarkable and strikingly odd novelties* in Beans ever introduced. The compact, bushy plants bear abundantly pods five to six inches long, each containing from six to seven beans. The leaves and stems even are of a bright purple color, which becomes more intense as the season advances, and form, with the pinkish-purple flowers and *rich, deep-blue pods*, a most showy, blackish-purple bush. Beneath the thin, dark-blue skin of the pods the flesh is green and very thick. The entire pods *cook a rich green*, making a most attractive dish on the table, while they are very tender, stringless, and of a *rich and most delicious flavor*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts., postpaid.



### KEENEY'S RUSTLESS GOLDEN WAX.

This new Bean combines hardiness and productiveness with fine quality; is a vigorous bush variety with entire freedom from rust. The pods, although flat when young, are meaty and well-filled; of rich yellow color, fine quality, and entirely stringless, even when large enough to shell. If the pods are picked as fast as developed, the plant continues to furnish a bountiful supply for a long season. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

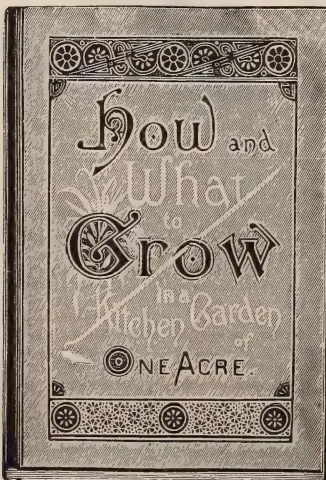
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"THE MOST REMARKABLE OF NEW VEGETABLES."

# BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA.

**BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA.**—This is, indeed, a valuable acquisition, possessing, as it does, extreme earliness, productiveness, and large size, and having that bushy habit of growth it requires no poles or stakes whatever for it to run upon; the plants grow from fifteen to twenty-four inches high, branching freely, forming a bush twelve to eighteen inches in diameter. The pods are long, producing three or four mammoth beans to each; they are tender and of fine flavor. Seed planted May 16th produced marketable beans (in the green state) August 16th, three months from time of planting. One hundred pods green beans weighed 2.7 pounds; these shelled gave 1.1 pounds of beans.—From *Bulletin 26 of THE STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE OF COLORADO.*



BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA.—Showing habit of growth of a single plant.

"Upon our grounds this has been the best variety of Dwarf Lima."—PROF. L. H. BAILEY, Cornell University.

**BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA.** Never in the history of the seed trade has any variety created such a profound sensation as this—"the most remarkable of new vegetables;" the **only** bush form of the **True** delicious **Large Lima**. It is pronounced by all good judges as unquestionably **The Real Bush Lima**, distinct and superior in every way,—in its splendidly vigorous, upright, bushy habit of growth, great uniformity and trueness to type, and bearing the luscious **large Lima Beans in great abundance**. There is absolutely nothing to compare with it. The largest Lima Beans can now be raised in quantity at small cost, without the expense and labor attached to the use of poles.



**BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA comes absolutely true from seed.** The bushes grow eighteen to twenty inches high, of stout growth and always erect, yet branching so vigorously that each plant develops into a magnificent circular bush from *two to three feet in diameter*. It is an immense yielder, the handsome large pods being well filled with very large beans, identical in size and luscious flavor with the well-known large Pole Limas.

Prices of the genuine seed of **BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA**, warranted true:—**Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per pint 30 cts.; per quart 50 cts., postpaid.** By express or freight: **Per pint 20 cts.; per quart 35 cts.; 2 quarts for 60 cts.; 4 quarts for \$1.00; per peck \$1.75; ½ bushel \$3.25; per bushel \$6.50.**

**THE PRIZE BUSHES.** It will be remembered that in 1893 we published a list of the prize bushes from every State, the first prize having been won by Mrs. G. W. STEWART, of Atlanta, Ga., with a plant (illustration from photograph of which we published last year) bearing **358 pods**; the second prize by JAMES H. LEGGETT, of Oroville, Cal., on a bush with **323 pods**. Even these remarkable records were surpassed the following year when our prize of \$100.00 for the most prolific bush was won by MR. MARTIN BENSON, of Sparta, Ill., who sent us a bush on which we counted **439 pods**. The second prize was won by MR. M. FARNER, Butler, Ind., with a bush on which were **258 pods**.

Such a record has never been made by any other Bush Lima Bean, while it is now recognized that **BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA is the ONLY bush form of the TRUE LARGE LIMA.**

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# BEANS—Pole or Running.

The prices quoted below are for the best Seed Beans, postpaid, by mail.

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See page 80 for prices of all SEED BEANS by the Peck and Bushel.



LAZY WIFE'S POLE BEAN.

## LAZY WIFE'S POLE BEAN.

This Pole Bean, for so many years the favorite with our Bucks County farmers, has become immensely popular. We presume it derived its name, which seems to us rather discourteous, from its immense productiveness, making it very easy to gather a dish, and from the ease with which they are cooked. The pods, of medium, dark-green color, are produced in great abundance, and measure from four and a half to six inches in length. The illustration above represents a natural size pod; they are broad, thick; very fleshy and entirely stringless. The pods retain their rich, tender, and stringless qualities until nearly ripe, and at all stages are unsurpassed for snap-shorts, being peculiarly luscious. Many persons have testified that they never ate a bean quite so good in distinct, rich flavor. Each pod contains from six to eight round, white beans, which make excellent winter shell beans. We recommend everyone to plant Creaseback for early and Lazy Wife's for late, and we are sure that none will regret following this advice. Pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**WHITE CREASEBACK, or BEST-OF-ALL.** The best early green-podded Pole Bean. It is a good grower and exceedingly productive, the long pods being produced all over the vines, in clusters of from four to twelve. The handsome green pods grow from five to six inches long, perfectly round, with a crease in the back, hence the name. The pods are entirely stringless, very fleshy, and of superb quality. The entire crop is matured extremely early, and if shipped to market, the green string beans will keep well, while they always command the highest prices. Of all green-podded pole beans, Creaseback is undoubtedly the best for early and Lazy Wife's for late use. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**BURPEE'S SUNSHINE WAX.** BURPEE'S SUNSHINE is a good, strong grower, but does not make such a rank growth of foliage as *The Golden Cluster*, while out-yielding it in crop. The bright, light-yellow pods are borne in clusters of three and four at every joint of the vines. The pods, six to eight inches long, are perfectly straight, and although flat when young, are meaty, of finest quality, and entirely stringless. The dry beans are rich brown in color and of good quality for winter use. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.

BURPEE'S SUNSHINE WAX POLE BEAN.—A strong growing variety, pods large, somewhat flat and of excellent quality.—From *Bulletin 29 of the OREGON EXPERIMENTAL STATION.*

**GOLDEN CLUSTER.** The pods are a beautiful golden-yellow color and of large size, averaging from seven to eight inches long and three-fourths of an inch in width. Although the pods are quite flat, they are fleshy, absolutely stringless, and very brittle, while their flavor is delicious. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.

**GOLDEN WAX FLAGOLET.** The pods are seven and a half to eight inches long, of a rich golden-yellow color; full and fleshy. The vines, while quite young, produce the pods in great abundance, near the ground, as early as any Dwarf Wax Bean, while they continue to bear profusely the entire season. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.

**BURPEE'S WHITE ZULU.** So named because of the mammoth size of its white pods and the jet blackness of its dry beans. The pods are remarkably handsome, of a waxy appearance, nearly pure white in color, very broad, fleshy, and perfectly stringless. Even when fully grown, eight to ten inches long and proportionately broad, the pods still retain their exceptionally fine quality, while their white color when cooked is very attractive. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; pint 40 cts.; quart 75 cts., postpaid.

**HORTICULTURAL, Cranberry, or Wren's Egg.** An old favorite for both snap-shorts and dry beans. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

**OLD HOMESTEAD (Improved Kentucky Wonder).** This is an improved strain of the *Southern Prolific, or Kentucky Wonder Pole Bean*. The long, straight pods are round and fleshy, stringless, and of fine quality. Very early and prolific. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**SOUTHERN PROLIFIC, or Kentucky Wonder.** Produces, in clusters, excellent snap-shorts beans in eighty days. Per pkt. 10 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

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**ANSLEY'S IMPROVED PROLIFIC DUTCH RUNNER.** Earlier than the old Dutch Runner and marvelously prolific,—the vines being crowded with pods in large clusters. The shelled beans, either fresh or dry for winter use, are of very fine quality. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 35 cts., postpaid.

**SCARLET RUNNER.** Ornamental as well as useful. It grows ten feet high, and produces bright-scarlet flowers, followed by large shell beans. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**YARD LONG, or Cuban Asparagus Bean.** This is quite a curiosity. It is a Pole Bean, with dark-green foliage, and pods growing two feet and upward in length. The pods, of such extraordinary length, are produced abundantly. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

# Varieties of POLE LIMA BEANS.

☞ The prices here quoted are for the seed beans, **postpaid, by mail.** ☞ For prices by the quart, or in larger quantities, to be sent by express or freight, at the expense of purchaser, see **BULK Price List, page 80.**

## SMALL LIMAS, or "BUTTER BEANS."

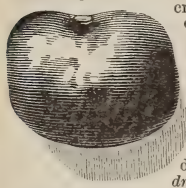
**SMALL LIMA, Carolina, Sieva or Sewee.** Seed about half the size, but earlier and harder than the Large Lima. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts.

**WILLOW LEAF LIMA BEAN.** Its great vigor, length of vine, and enormous productiveness are simply wonderful, single vines measuring more than sixteen feet and bearing over seventeen hundred pods. It differs from all other beans known in its beautiful, *deeply cut* foliage. The pods are well filled with the pure white beans of fine flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.



**WILLOW LEAF.**—This novelty was brought before the public in 1891 by W. Allee Burpee & Co. It is a distinct variety; the divisions of the leaves are long and narrow, resembling the leaves of the willow, whence the name. It is really worthy of growing as an ornamental climbing vine, the rich, dark-green leaves making a very pretty effect, with the great profusion of bloom that continues throughout the season. Aside from its use as an ornamental vine it is very productive, though not so early by ten days or two weeks as the Bush Limas; the pods are larger than those of Henderson's Bush Lima, the beans pure white, tender, and of fine flavor.—From *Bulletin 26 of THE STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE OF COLORADO.*

**NEW EARLY BLACK LIMA.** This is fully ten days to two weeks earlier than any other Lima. The beans are so full and plump that the ends are crowded square. The vines possess wonderful productiveness, customers widely separated throughout the United States having sent us vines bearing from



1647 to 2013 pods by actual count. The seeds, which are about half the size of the Large Lima, do not rot in the ground so readily as the latter. The climbing vines are so crowded with clusters that they present the appearance of *veritable ropes of pods.* The beans are noted for their extreme tenderness, delicate quality, and delicious flavor, both fresh and dried for winter use. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; pint 30 cts.; per quart 55 cts., postpaid, by mail.



**EARLY BLACK LIMA.**—Early; these vines are very strong in growth, bearing an exceedingly heavy yield, making this variety one of the best in point of yield and a very desirable early Lima Bean.—*Report of THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.*

**HORTICULTURAL LIMA.** In our opinion there is no place for this variety. It is not so early as the *Early Black Lima*, while it does not nearly equal this or the *Willow Leaf Lima*, either in productiveness or flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

## THE LARGE LIMAS.

**EXTRA EARLY JERSEY LIMA.** The beans are nearly as large and fully as good as the Large Limas, while they mature nearly as early as the Small Lima. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.

**CHALLENGER—DREER'S IMPROVED, or Potato Lima.** In the green state the pods are smaller than in the Large White Lima, but the beans are very plump, and are crowded close together in the pods. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**LARGE WHITE LIMA.** The well-known favorite summer and winter shell bean. Being very tender, it should not be planted until the ground is warm. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**KING OF THE GARDEN LIMA.** While the dried beans are about the same size as the common Large Lima, the *green* beans are of unusual size, sometimes even larger than those shown in the illustration. The pods are from five and a half to eight inches long, and frequently contain five or six very large beans. The beans are so large and handsome that they sell well on market, while in quality they are excellent. Per large pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.

**FORD'S MAMMOTH-PODDED.** This is a very fine Philadelphia strain, noted for mammoth size of pods, great productiveness and fine quality. It is quite equal to *King of the Garden*, but we cannot see that it is superior. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 30 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.

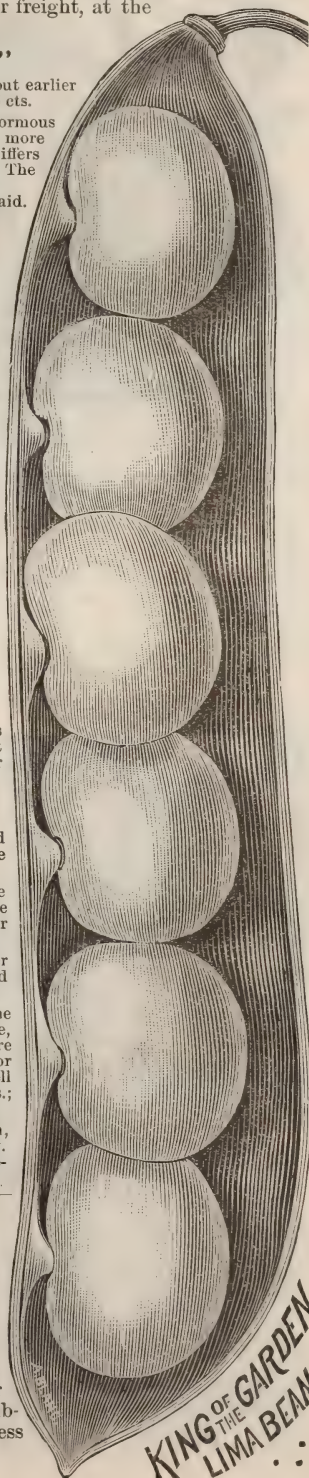
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**KING OF THE GARDEN  
LIMA BEAN**



**EARLY BLOOD-RED TURNIP.** The old stand-by. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 40 cts.

**EXTRA EARLY EGYPTIAN BLOOD TURNIP.** Grows with wonderful rapidity. Bulbs resemble a flat turnip in shape, and have blood-red flesh. Of good quality when young, and good for early use, but the beets become stringy with age. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 45 cts., postpaid.

**DEWING'S IMPROVED BLOOD TURNIP BEET.** Flesh deep blood-red, very tender and sweet; grows uniformly to a good size. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 45 cts., postpaid.

**EARLY YELLOW TURNIP BEET.** Similar to the red turnip, except in color, which is bright yellow; of very sweet, fine flavor. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 45 cts., postpaid.



**EDMAN'S EARLY TURNIP BEET.** This is one of the most uniformly "thoroughbred" of all Beets; with very small tops, the neat, short foliage is of a rich, bronzy-red. The beets are of a handsome, round shape, very smooth and of good, marketable size. The skin is very deep blood-red in color; the flesh also is very dark red and sweet. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

## Garden BEETS.

Our prices are for seeds, postpaid, by mail. If ordered by express or freight, deduct **TEN CENTS per pound** from prices quoted.

**BURPEE'S EXTRA EARLY TURNIP BEET.** Fully as early and of better quality than the Egyptian. It makes a fine market crop in seven or eight weeks from sowing. Of fine, globular shape, and good size; the roots are very smooth. In color the flesh is of alternate rings of light and dark pink; very tender and sweet. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.



**BURPEE'S IMPROVED BLOOD TURNIP BEET.** This strain is remarkable for perfect symmetry of shape, freedom from side or fibrous roots, and fine quality. The tops are of small, neat, and uniform growth; leaf stems and veins dark red. The roots are rich dark red in color. Flesh deep red, fine grain, very sweet and tender, retaining its blood-red color when cooked. For a constant supply successive sowings of seed should be made throughout the spring and early summer. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.



**LONG, SMOOTH BLOOD-RED.** An excellent late variety, both for table use and for cattle feeding. The beets are long and smooth, the flesh is a deep blood-red, very sweet and tender. To produce a large crop the seed should be sown not later than the middle of June. These beets keep well throughout the winter. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 40 cts., postpaid.

**BASTIAN'S HALF-LONG BLOOD-RED.** This is also known under the name of **Philadelphia Perfection Beet.** It is a favorite variety with our Philadelphia truckers. The roots are of handsome shape and very fine quality. It is of quick growth, and ready to market soon after the Early Turnip varieties. It is also good for winter use if the seed is planted about the middle of July. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 55 cts., postpaid.

**CROSBY'S EGYPTIAN.** A very fine new strain. Beets round, fully as early as the original Egyptian and of better quality when old. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**SWISS CHARD, or SILVER BEET (Large-Ribbed White Silver).** A distinct vegetable and much superior to the common beet for greens; but the root is not edible. The white wax-like stems and midribs of the leaves cooked like asparagus make a delicious vegetable. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 45 cts., postpaid.



LARGE-RIBBED WHITE SWISS CHARD.

Five-cent **Packets** cost only **Four Cents.**

Ten-cent **OUNCES** now cost only **Eight Cents.**

See **PAGE 3** for our **New Liberal Discount** for 1897.

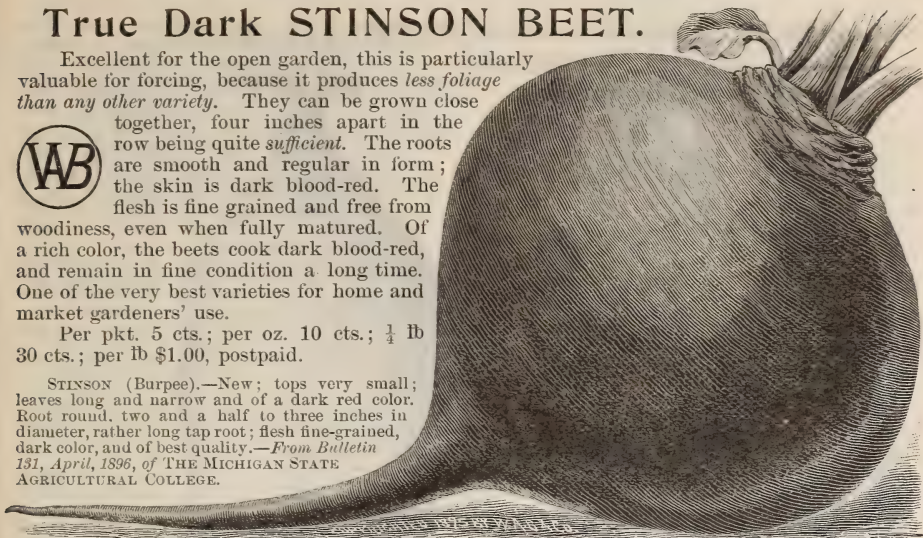
## True Dark STINSON BEET.

Excellent for the open garden, this is particularly valuable for forcing, because it produces *less foliage than any other variety*. They can be grown close

together, four inches apart in the row being quite *sufficient*. The roots are smooth and regular in form; the skin is dark blood-red. The flesh is fine grained and free from woodiness, even when fully matured. Of a rich color, the beets cook dark blood-red, and remain in fine condition a long time. One of the very best varieties for home and market gardeners' use.

Per pkt. 5 cts.; per oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00, postpaid.

STINSON (Burpee).—New; tops very small; leaves long and narrow and of a dark red color. Root round, two and a half to three inches in diameter, rather long tap root; flesh fine-grained, dark color, and of best quality.—From *Bulletin 131, April, 1896, of THE MICHIGAN STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.*



### BASTIAN'S EXTRA EARLY RED TURNIP BEET.

Extra early, of quick, large growth; flesh very tender, and retains its fine blood-red color when cooked. Highly esteemed by market gardeners in Philadelphia and the South. This variety, and *Burpee's Extra Early*, are preferred to the *Egyptian* in many sections for *extra early*, while, unlike the *Egyptian*, they are of good quality even when large and old. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 45 cts., postpaid.

ECLIPSE BEET. Noted not only for its wonderfully rapid growth, but also for the smallness of top and extra fine quality. It is fully as early as the *Egyptian*, and of better quality. The roots grow perfectly smooth, of round shape, intense blood-red skin and flesh, fine-grained and sweet. Its small top, extreme earliness, and heavy cropping qualities recommend it to market gardeners. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., by mail, postpaid.

## COLUMBIA BEET.

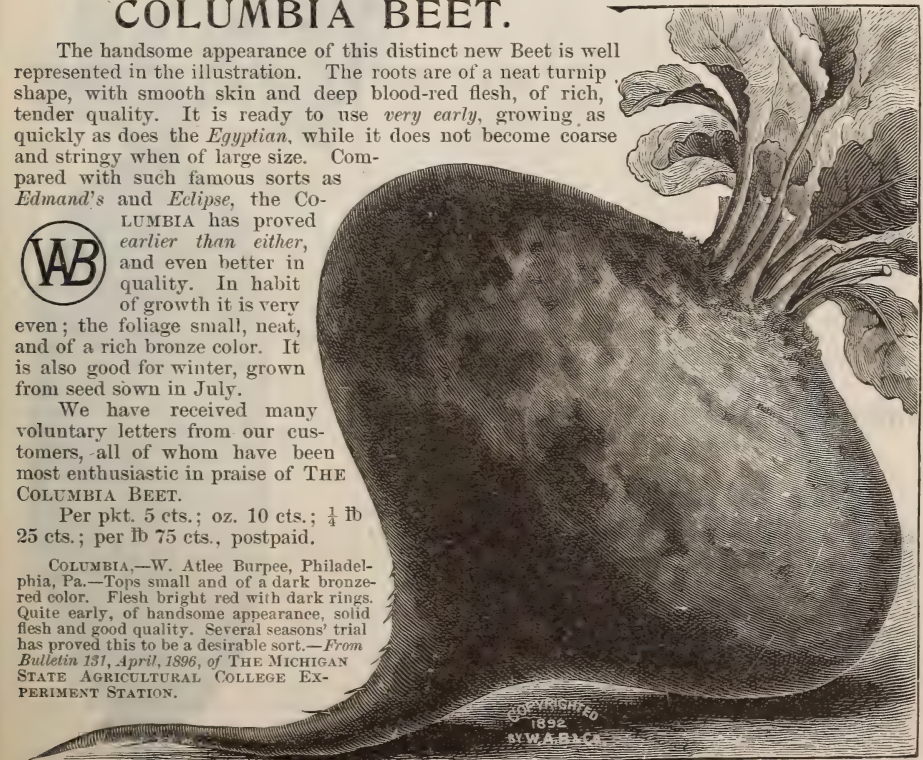
The handsome appearance of this distinct new Beet is well represented in the illustration. The roots are of a neat turnip shape, with smooth skin and deep blood-red flesh, of rich, tender quality. It is ready to use *very early*, growing as quickly as does the *Egyptian*, while it does not become coarse and stringy when of large size. Compared with such famous sorts as

*Edmand's* and *Eclipse*, the COLUMBIA has proved *earlier than either*, and even better in quality. In habit of growth it is very even; the foliage small, neat, and of a rich bronze color. It is also good for winter, grown from seed sown in July.

We have received many voluntary letters from our customers, all of whom have been most enthusiastic in praise of THE COLUMBIA BEET.

Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

COLUMBIA.—W. Atlee Burpee, Philadelphia, Pa.—Tops small and of a dark bronzed color. Flesh bright red with dark rings. Quite early, of handsome appearance, solid flesh and good quality. Several seasons' trial has proved this to be a desirable sort.—From *Bulletin 131, April, 1896, of THE MICHIGAN STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE EXPERIMENT STATION.*



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## SUGAR BEETS AND MANGEL WURZELS.

GROWN FOR FEEDING STOCK.

The value of these for stock feeding cannot be over-estimated. The results from their use are wonderful, as is shown in the improved health and condition of animals, the increased yield of milk in cows, and the great saving in hay. They can be raised at trifling cost.

**DANISH IMPROVED SUGAR BEET.** This new variety is distinguished by its great productiveness; in rich, deep soil in good cultivation nearly approaching the standard varieties of Mangel Wurzel in yield of bulk (they standing closer than the Mangels), in connection with a high percentage of sugar. For fattening purposes and for feeding to milk cows, in cases where a liberal flow of rich, creamy milk is the main object (for butter production), this variety is, where the proper soil is at disposal, especially to be recommended. It is one of the cleanest and best beets for cattle feeding that we have. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.



### RED TOP SUGAR BEET.

This is a productive, hardy, and symmetrical variety. The root is slender, being about three to four inches in diameter at the shoulder, and tapers gradually to a point. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts. By express, per lb 25 cts.; 5 lbs. at 20 cts. per lb.

### LANE'S IMPROVED IMPERIAL SUGAR BEET.

This is the most popular sugar beet for feeding cows, sheep, or swine. This beet will yield as much as most mangels, and contains eight per cent. of sugar. Has yielded thirty to forty tons per acre, at a cost of five cents per bushel. The large amount of healthy, nutritious food which is produced at so small a cost and its great value for cattle, sheep, and swine make this root very profitable for stock farmers. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 40 cts. By express, at 30 cts. per lb. 5 lbs. or more at 25 cts. per lb.

### YELLOW OVOID MANGEL.

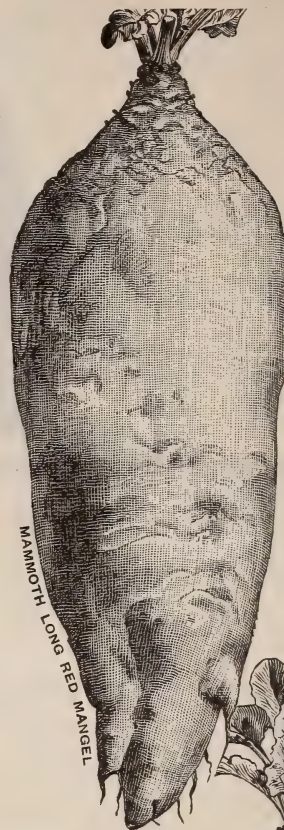
This very handsome, olive-shaped variety is excellent for limestone soils. It is very productive, and as it grows fully two-thirds of its length above the surface it is very easily pulled. The skin is an orange-yellow, while the flesh is white, firm, and highly nutritious. Per oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts., postpaid. By express, 25 cts. per lb.; 5 lbs. or more at 20 cts. per lb.

### GOLDEN GIANT INTERMEDIATE (YELLOW LEVIATHAN MANGEL).

This entirely new and distinct Mangel is considerably larger than the *Yellow Ovoid Mangel*, and is of a beautiful russet-yellow color. It is remarkably even in shape; of vigorous growth; it has a fine neck, large leaves with green stems, and a very smooth, fine skin. The flesh is white, firm, and sweet, greatly relished by cattle. Altogether, it is a magnificent root, easily lifted (growing more than half above the ground), producing enormous crops, and is an excellent keeper. Our cash prizes for the largest roots of the *Golden Giant Mangel* were awarded as follows: First prize to M. Steves, Lulu Island, British Columbia, for a mangel weighing  $34\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.; second prize to J. W. Robinson, Elsinore, Cal., weight of root 32 lbs.; the third prize also went to California, for a mangel of 30 lbs. weight, raised by J. L. Grabel of Table Bluff. We wish we had space to publish the reports received also from other growers, all in terms of highest praise. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts., postpaid. By express or freight, 25 cts. per lb.; 5 lbs. or more at 20 cts. per lb.

### IMPROVED MAMMOTH PRIZE LONG RED MANGEL (also called Norbitan Giant and Jumbo Mangel).

The heaviest cropping and best long Mangel. This mammoth variety grows to an immense size, single roots weighing twenty to thirty pounds each, and always of very fine texture and good quality. Henry Hodgson, of Millersville, Ohio, raised on one acre 55,750 lbs. of roots, from seed purchased from us. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; lb 35 cts., postpaid. By express, 25 cts. per lb.; 5 lbs. or more at 20 cts. per lb.



### RED GLOBE MANGEL.

This variety is valued for earliness and smooth, symmetrical, globe-shaped roots. The roots are about eight inches in diameter. Per oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts. By express, 25 cts. per lb.

### GOLDEN TANKARD YELLOW-FLESHED MANGEL.

This distinct variety is a most important addition to our list of roots for stock feeding, as it contains less water and more sugar than any other mangel. A special feature is the rich, deep yellow color of the flesh, nutritious and milk-producing qualities. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts., postpaid. By express, 25 cts. per lb.; 5 lbs. or more at 20 cts. per lb.

### CHAMPION YELLOW OR ORANGE GLOBE MANGEL.

Productive, easily pulled, and an excellent keeper when stored in heaps for winter use. It is spherical in shape and is of an orange-yellow color. The flesh of the root is white, firm, and sugary. Per oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts., postpaid.





DWARF GERMAN CURLED KALE.

**BORECOLE, OR KALE.**

By express, DEDUCT 10 CTS. per lb.

**DWARF GERMAN KALE.** German Greens or Sprouts. (*Dwarf Curled Scotch Kale.*) This is more hardy than Cabbage, and makes excellent greens for winter and spring use. The leaves are curly, bright green, very tender, and delicate in flavor. Sow seed in May or June, transplant in July, and cultivate same as Cabbage. For early spring use, sow in September; protect over winter with a covering of straw or litter. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**TALL GREEN CURLED SCOTCH.** This makes a beautiful plant, about two and a half feet tall, with densely curled, dark-green leaves in abundance. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts.

**DWARF PURPLE KALE.** Like the *Dwarf Green*, except in color, which is a deep purple. It is very hardy. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00, postpaid.

**CURLED MOSBACH.** Of dwarf, compact, bushy growth, the foliage is light green, and toward the center yellowish-green. The edges of the leaves are most beautifully crimped and curled. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.

**BROCCOLI.**

**PURPLE CAPE.** Produces heads very nearly like Cauliflower, but more hardy. This variety has large, close heads, of a brownish purple color and good flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.



PARIS MARKET BRUSSELS SPROUTS.

**BRUSSELS SPROUTS.**

**PERFECTION.** The plant grows about two feet high, and produces from the stem numerous little sprouts, one to two inches in diameter, resembling cabbages in miniature. The sprouts become very tender and of a rich flavor when touched by frost. Sow in May, and treat in the same manner as Winter Cabbages. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.10.

**PARIS MARKET.** A very fine new variety, of half-dwarf growth, bearing handsome, solid, round sprouts of best quality, crowded together on the stalk. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.50, postpaid.

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# BURPEE'S HIGH-BRED TESTED SEED OF THE BEST AMERICAN-GROWN CABBAGE



BURPEE'S SUREHEAD.

The illustration above was engraved from a photograph of an average seed head. See page 32.


In Cabbage particularly the marketable value of the crop depends primarily upon the quality of the seed. It is a fact that seed grown in California or Europe (of American varieties)—so largely sold by dealers because it is cheap—cannot be relied upon to produce good crops throughout America. The best Cabbage seed is grown in Bucks County, Pa., and upon Long Island. Here our crops are raised annually by experienced and conscientious growers, subject to our personal inspection each season, when every rogue is rigidly discarded and *only first-class, well-developed heads saved for seed*—heads that would bring the highest prices if sent to market. By a special system of stock selection, developed after long-continued study of the Cabbage and its tendencies, the strains we offer have become remarkable for both their **SURE-HEADING** and **HARD-HEADING** character. So inbred are these qualities that gardeners can safely rely upon

**Burpee's High-Bred TESTED Seed of BEST AMERICAN-GROWN CABBAGE.**


## CABBAGES.—16 Well-known Standard Varieties.

	Per oz.	¼ lb.	Per lb.
Early Dwarf York. Very early; small, heart-shaped heads. . . . .	\$0 10	\$0 30	\$1 00
Large Early York. About ten days later; larger in size, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
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Early Dwarf Flat Dutch. A first-class second-early; round-flat, . . . . .	15	40	1 50
Peerless Early. Very similar to Early Summer, . . . . .	15	40	1 25
Henderson's Succession. A good second-early cabbage, . . . . .	15	40	1 25
Vandergaw, or Midsummer. Similar to <i>All Seasons</i> ; sure heading, . . . . .	15	40	1 50
Stone-Mason Marblehead. A late Drumhead; weak constitution, . . . . .	15	40	1 25
Filderkraut, or Pomeranian Pointed Heading, . . . . .	15	40	1 25
Premium Flat Dutch. A well-known, popular winter cabbage, . . . . .	10	35	1 10
Burpee's Superior Large Late Flat Dutch. An improved strain, . . . . .	15	40	1 25
Large Late Drumhead. For autumn and winter cabbage, . . . . .	15	40	1 25
Louisville Drumhead. A fine strain of dark bluish-green color, . . . . .	15	50	1 50
Marblehead Mammoth. Large, coarse heads; poor quality, . . . . .	15	40	1 25
Marvin's Savoy. A fine strain of Drumhead Savoy, . . . . .	15	40	1 50
Perfection Drumhead Savoy. Finest quality; hard heading, . . . . .	15	40	1 25

From the above prices **Deduct TEN CENTS per pound**, if ordered by express.


 In regular-size packets, each of the above, **5 cents per packet**.


## EARLIEST ETAMPES CABBAGE.

Excepting only the *New Express*, this is earlier than any other; the heads are oblong and firm; medium size, and of fine quality.  This is identically the same Cabbage catalogued by some dealers as "EARLIEST," with their names attached.

Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb 30 cts.; lb \$1.00, postpaid.

## EXTRA EARLY EXPRESS CABBAGE.

"Excels in earliness all the sorts we have grown, has the shape and appearance of our well-known *Etampes Cabbage*, but is smaller and eight or ten days earlier; has but a few outside leaves, and therefore may be planted very close and yield large crops." Above is the originator's description, and nine years' trials have convinced us that it is generally *a week earlier than any other early Cabbage*.  This Cabbage has been reintroduced under the names of "WONDERFUL," "LIGHTNING," etc. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb 40 cts.; lb \$1.25, postpaid, by mail.

 As now grown, these two extra early Cabbages are very nearly identical. Although somewhat earlier, they are not so trustworthy under all conditions as the *Jersey Wakefield*, from the fact that they do not possess so strong a constitution.





## EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD CABBAGE.

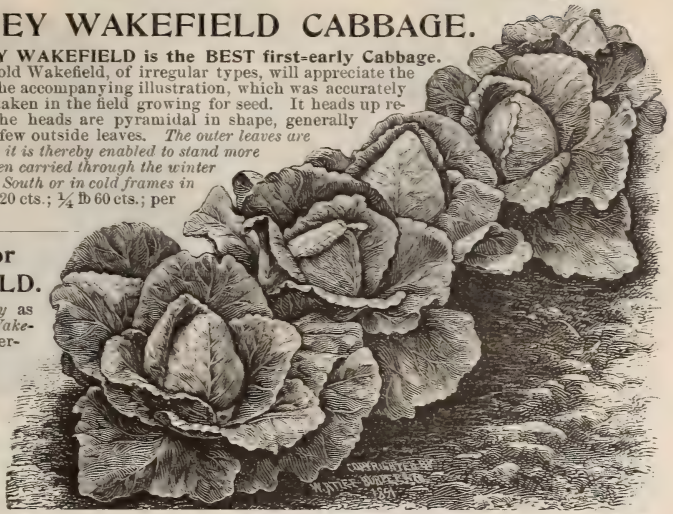
The Improved JERSEY WAKEFIELD is the BEST first-early Cabbage.

Those familiar only with the old Wakefield, of irregular types, will appreciate the "trueness" of our seed from the accompanying illustration, which was accurately engraved from a photograph taken in the field growing for seed. It heads up remarkably hard and solid; the heads are pyramidal in shape, generally pointed at the end, with but few outside leaves. *The outer leaves are unusually thick and heavy, and it is thereby enabled to stand more cold weather without injury when carried through the winter either in the open ground in the South or in cold frames in the North.* Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

## CHARLESTON, or LARGE WAKEFIELD.

This is not so extra early as the Original Early Jersey Wakefield, but the heads are considerably larger in size; very solid and not so pointed. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

Some markets prefer a pointed-headed cabbage. For general use, however, we would recommend **Burpee's ALLHEAD**, as fully as Early, and of larger size.




C. L. ALLEN, the well-known writer and Cabbage grower of Queens County, N. Y., wrote us after reading our description:—"I would say that in all my experience in the cultivation of Cabbage, I have never seen a variety that possessed so many good qualities as this, neither have I seen a field of Cabbage that contained so few objectionable plants as the one being grown for you. Your claims for **Burpee's ALLHEAD Early Cabbage** seem very high, but after a careful inspection of the crop I cannot question one of the points you claim."

## BURPEE'S ALLHEAD EARLY CABBAGE.

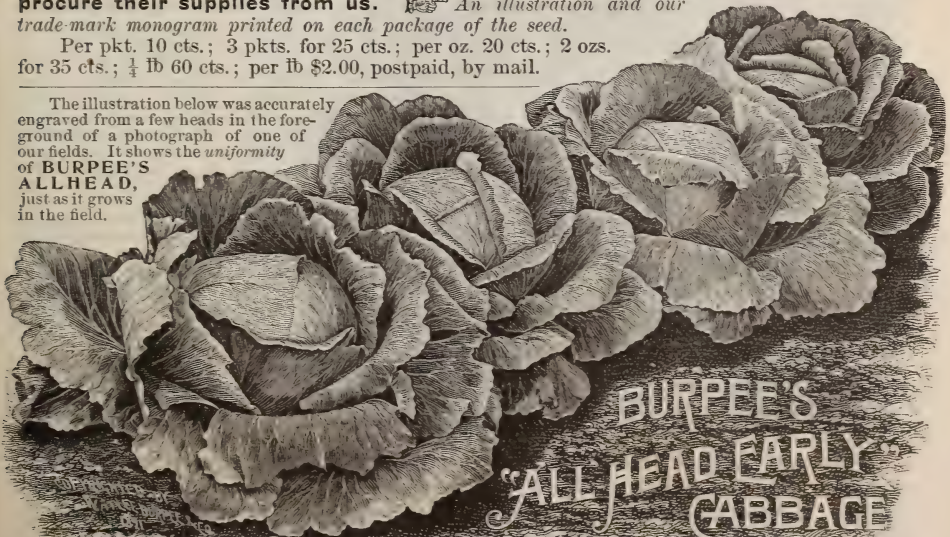
The BEST Early Summer Cabbage—the EARLIEST Flat-head.

**BURPEE'S ALLHEAD** is the earliest of all large Cabbage, and fully one-third larger than any other early summer Cabbage. The deep, flat heads are remarkably solid, and the most uniform in color, shape, and size of any variety. As tenderness is the result of rapid growth, it surpasses all others in this respect. The heads grow so compactly and free from spreading leaves, that fully one thousand more heads can be obtained to the acre. It is wonderfully adaptable—really an all-the-year-round Cabbage. It is the most thoroughbred of all American Cabbages.

This superb variety has been developed by long-continued, careful selection. We paid a cash bonus of one thousand dollars for its control; therefore, to be sure to obtain seed grown direct from the original stock, you should order direct from us, or from those who procure their supplies from us.  An illustration and our trade-mark monogram printed on each package of the seed.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. for 35 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid, by mail.

The illustration below was accurately engraved from a few heads in the foreground of a photograph of one of our fields. It shows the uniformity of **BURPEE'S ALLHEAD**, just as it grows in the field.





EARLY WINNINGSTADT CABBAGE.

**EARLY WINNINGSTADT.** A well-known and very popular second-early variety; heads large, decidedly conical; leaves bright, glossy green; heads very solid and hard, even in summer. Valuable not only for early use, but also for winter cabbage. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.

**BURPEE'S ALLHEAD EARLY CABBAGE.** *This is, without question, the best second-early Cabbage.* We regret that it is now sold under a number of names, such as *Faultless Early, Solid South, Eclipse*, etc.



HENDERSON'S EARLY SUMMER CABBAGE.

**HENDERSON'S EARLY SUMMER.** It forms large, solid, round, flattened heads, of excellent quality. It is particularly true in the color of the plant, which has a peculiar bluish tinge, with the veins of the leaf very white and prominent; it is among the most compact growers of the second earlys and a sure header. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50.

### FOTTLER'S EARLY DRUMHEAD, OR SHORT-STEM BRUNSWICK CABBAGE.

This is a first-class second-early Drumhead Cabbage. Very solid heads, of medium size, and light bluish-green in color; of close habit of growth, stem very short, the plant heading close to the ground. The heads are thick, but decidedly flat. It is earlier than the Flat Dutch, or other late Cabbages, but not so early as Early Summer. A very good Cabbage as an intermediate sort or for winter use. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50, postpaid.



### All Seasons Cabbage.

The improved type is well shown in the illustration herewith, which was accurately engraved from a photograph. The heads are darker blue in color than *Fottler's*, and the plant covers more ground, but the heads are larger. A valuable feature is the fact that the *All Seasons Cabbage* does not burst open when mature. Also when buried in the fall for the winter it retains its bright blue-green color better than most other large varieties. The heads are very large and solid, round, flattened on the top, of the very best quality, and ready to market nearly as early as *Early Summer*, while much larger in size. It is called "All Seasons" because it is as good for autumn or winter as for summer. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; 2 ozs. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50, postpaid.

**Deduct 10 CTS. PER LB. from above prices** if the seed is to be sent by express or freight. It is the custom to allow the purchaser to deduct only eight cents per pound from the "postpaid by mail" prices, but as we always give **good weight** and the package weighs in addition to the seed, purchasers are entitled to deduct **TEN CENTS per pound**,



Safe to Crop,—Safe to Keep,—Safe to Sell.

## BURPEE'S SAFE-CROP CABBAGE.

**BURPEE'S SAFE-CROP** is a large, late strain of market gardener's Cabbage, which is **sure to head**. The heads are of large size, hard and firm, with but few outside leaves; stems short, foliage compact and of a beautiful green color. It is a very desirable variety for a late crop on account of its solidity and because it is an excellent winter keeper. It also stands a considerable time without bursting. In quality it is not quite equal to **THE LUPTON**, or **BURPEE'S SUREHEAD**, as a summer Cabbage, being slightly strong, but improves as the season advances, making a *winter Cabbage hard to equal*. The thick, flat heads are remarkably uniform in color, as well as in shape and size; it is a rapid grower and well repays good cultivation.



Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, by mail, postpaid.

## WINTER CABBAGE,—THE LUPTON.

This new Winter Cabbage originated from one head, first selected some years ago by **MR. J. M. LUPTON**, the well-known grower of Cabbage on Long Island, and who is also the author of "**CABBAGE AND CAULIFLOWER FOR PROFIT**," published by us,—see page 23.

"**THE LUPTON CABBAGE** is the result of an effort to combine in one variety the best qualities of the second-early and the late sorts. . . . I do not know of a Cabbage which I would as soon plant for a main-crop variety as this one. It is a little earlier than any one of the various strains of *Flat Dutch* and *Drumhead*, and of closer growth. The heads are particularly large in proportion to the plant, which grows strong but does not spread out much. The stalk is rather short, color dark green. In a great measure we appear to have succeeded in getting rid of the coarseness of the late sorts, as the quality is fine; it is also *one of the best keepers we have*, and comes out in the spring bright and fresh. The heads are not likely to crack open, although it will not stand as long as *All Seasons*, which is quite a remarkable Cabbage in this respect. As for uniformity, it will grow more uniform and head better than the late varieties, but does not equal the best second-early sorts, of which **BURPEE'S ALL-HEAD EARLY** is the most perfect type."



THE LUPTON CABBAGE. From a Photograph.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**BURPEE'S SEEDS GROW** and are famous for the Uniform Excellence of their Products.



## BURPEE'S SUREHEAD CABBAGE.

This famous Cabbage, first named and introduced by us twenty years ago, has steadily gained in popular favor. Hardly any other variety can approach the SUREHEAD in fine quality and uniform reliability in forming solid heads, of good size and superb quality.

**Burpee's Original SUREHEAD Cabbage** produces large, round, flattened heads, of the Flat Dutch type, and is remarkable for its certainty to head. It is ALL HEAD, and ALWAYS SURE TO HEAD, even when other varieties fail. They are remarkably uniform, very hard, firm, and fine in texture, and ordinarily weigh from ten to fifteen pounds each. It is very sweet flavored, has scarcely any loose leaves, keeps well, is good for shipping, and is just the variety and quality to suit market gardeners, farmers, and all lovers of good cabbage.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. 35 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb \$1.00; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

An illustration and directions for culture are printed on each package of the seed sold by us.

### An Interesting Report.

EDW. E. EVANS, Edward, Mich., Feb. 10, 1896, writes:—"I long since arrived at the conclusion—"If Burpee says it's so, it is so." My experience with your seeds dates back to 1879, when I first planted SUREHEAD CABBAGE. I have planted your seeds in the famous Genesee Valley (N. Y.), on the prairies of North Dakota, and in the much-maligned pine lands of central Michigan. I always do my part, the seeds do the rest. You will notice by the accompanying order that I still cling to SUREHEAD. I think that perfection in their classes has been reached in *Saddle-back Wax* and *Stringless Green Pod Beans*. I planted your *Quantity Pea* on deep pine sand; I was prepared by past experience for something good, but was astonished at the result. The vines averaged over one hundred pods each, and one bore 268 well filled. In quality they are equal to Champion of England, and that is good enough for anyone.

SUREHEAD.—Produces large, round, flattened heads. Late in maturing and satisfactory for late cutting.—*From Bulletin of THE AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE.*

MR. N. E. DIAMANT, Cedarville, N. J., Sept. 9, 1896, writes:—"I have grown SUREHEAD CABBAGE each year for the last five or six years and consider it of very good quality for the table; it seems that a larger per cent. of the plants make heads than of other late varieties I have grown.

H. A. GROSS, Marietta, Ohio, Sept. 13, 1896, writes:—"Have raised SUREHEAD CABBAGE for the past eight or ten years and it does the best of any I have ever grown; it is sure to head and sure to be large heads. The *All-Head Early* is the best early Cabbage I have ever tried.

GEO. M. BAKER, Lincoln, Ill., Sept. 12, 1896, writes:—"Your SUREHEAD CABBAGE is correctly named, being a very sure cropper in spite of drought.



AUTUMN KING, OR WORLD-BEATER.

**AUTUMN KING, or WORLD-BEATER.** After repeated trials these prove to be identical. Our stock was procured from Francis Brill, who gave it the name **WORLD-BEATER**, which it well deserves, for never before have we seen any Cabbage that produces such **uniformly large heads**, or any *very large Cabbage* in which the heads were so **hard and solid**. We predict that in a few years the *Marblehead Mammoth* will be discarded, for not only is this fully as large, if not larger, but also it is *uniformly true to type and sure to head hard*—"solid as a rock." The large, broad heads are *very thick through*, rounded at the top; fine-grained and tender,—more so than any other *very large Cabbage*. Stalk short, foliage compact, dark green with a purplish-brown tinge. It is a rapid grower, and does not require special culture to develop. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**ACME FLAT DUTCH CABBAGE.** The ACME is entirely distinct from the well-known *Premium Flat Dutch Cabbage*, and differs from all other strains of Late Flat Dutch in that it is *quicker growing* (earlier to mature), hence can be started later. It is extremely hardsome in appearance, and of low-growing character,—the stumps being very short. The well-developed heads are *true to type and uniform in color*, which is an attractive bluish-green. The heads measure about thirteen inches across, and weigh from ten to twelve pounds each; they will pack about fourteen to the barrel. The heads are hard, solid, and fine-grained. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.



BURPEE'S SHORT-STEM DRUMHEAD.

**BURPEE'S SHORT-STEM DRUMHEAD.** It has a very short stem and grows very compactly—the leaves all turning in to form the head, with very few loose leaves—thus allowing the plants to set close together. The heads are very large, **EXTRA HARD, SOLID**, round, flattened on the top; they grow most uniform in size and shape, and present the handsome appearance well depicted in the illustration. Heads frequently attain twenty or thirty pounds in weight, and are always of the finest quality. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; 2 ozs. 40 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.



**RED CABBAGES.**

**EARLY BLOOD-RED ERFURT.** True to type, uniformly producing *very hard heads*, of intense blood-red color, but very small in size; very early. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50.

**LARGE RED DRUMHEAD (Improved Red Dutch).** Larger heads than the old Red Dutch. Heads round in shape, of deep color, and remarkably hard and solid. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50.

**MAMMOTH ROCK RED.** Quite late in maturing, it is the largest Red Cabbage known; the heads will average over ten pounds each, and are always of a deep red color inside as well as outside, and *solid as a rock*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00.

**HARD-HEADING RED.** Extremely hard, round heads. Thousands of our customers pronounce this the best of all Red Cabbages, both in rich, deep color, and uniformity and solidity of its handsome heads. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.



**DANISH BALL-HEAD CABBAGE.** While in Denmark in 1886 we discovered a variety of Cabbage called, from the shape of the head, **Ball-Head**, which the Danes prize so highly that they grow it almost exclusively for winter cabbage, and annually export large quantities. It has been selected for more than fifty years by the Danish gardeners. The heads are hard, round, of good marketable size, fine-grained and good keepers. The heads are not so large as *Late Flat Dutch*, but are even harder and more solid. The **true Danish BALL-HEAD** has become wonderfully popular for winter market. In Genesee County, New York, last fall, we saw large fields growing of this variety, and upon inquiry found that four-fifths of all winter cabbage grown in that county was of the **Danish Ball-Head**. We offer Long Island seed grown from imported stock. Pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 30 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 85 cts.; per lb \$3.00, postpaid.

**DANISH SEED.** We have 500 lbs. of extra fine imported seed, crop 1896, grown from the best stock, personally selected by our friend, MR. J. PEDERSEN-BJERGAARD, of Copenhagen, with whom in 1895 we traveled through Denmark. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 35 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.00; per lb \$3.50, postpaid.



**BURPEE'S SEEDS cost more to grow,—Because** we always seek the **BEST** instead of the cheapest sources of supply. For instance, **all our Cabbage Seed**, of American varieties, is grown in Bucks County, Pa., and on Long Island, while the great bulk of so-called "American stocks" are grown in England or France, where labor is so much cheaper. From the extent of our business, however, we can afford to sell at a smaller margin of profit. Our prices for **The BEST SEEDS that Grow** are not much higher than are charged for so-called "**cheap seeds**," which the intelligent planter knows would be *dear at any price*.



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BURPEE'S BEST EARLY CAULIFLOWER. *Accurately engraved from a Photograph.*

## Burpee's BEST EARLY Cauliflower.

Named and introduced by us in 1887, this grand variety has proved to be, as claimed, the **BEST EARLY Cauliflower in cultivation**. It has attained its present perfection after many years' intelligent selection, and is remarkable both for its *extra earliness* and *certainty to head*,—in these two most important features we know no other Cauliflower that can equal it. Of dwarf, compact growth, with short stalk, it bears close planting, and the leaves, growing upright, naturally protect the heads. The large, handsome heads, measuring eight to ten inches across, are pure snowy-white, very close, compact, and of the finest quality. So *extremely solid* and *deep*, nearly *globe-shaped*, are the heads that they *weigh heavier* than most, if not all, other cauliflowers of the same size. Market gardeners can use "**Burpee's BEST Early**" for either early or late, with full assurance that it is impossible to procure a better or more reliable variety.

Half-size pkt. 15 cts.; per pkt. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 85 cts.; per oz. \$3.00;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$10.00.

### Other CAULIFLOWERS.

**EARLY SNOWBALL.** Extensively advertised, this has deservedly attained great popularity, and is now extensively planted. Under favorable conditions nearly every plant will make a fine, solid head of good size. It is of dwarf habit, valuable both for the early and late crops. Half-size pkt. 15 cts.; per pkt. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 65 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. \$1.25; per oz. \$2.25;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$8.00.

**LE NORMAND'S SHORT STEM.** This produces a very close and uniform curd, well protected by leaves. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 65 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.75; per lb \$6.50.

**ALGIERS.** This is of vigorous growth, with long leaves which taper to a point at the ends; its color is of a decidedly bluish cast. It should be a very sure-heading sort, producing large, solid, white heads. Per pkt. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 40 cts.; oz. 70 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$2.25; per lb \$8.00.

**EARLY DWARF ERFURT (Fine).** The Erfurt strains of Cauliflower are deservedly the most popular. This is good, but, of course, not equal to the higher priced strains, such as the one following. Per pkt. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 35 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 60 cts.; per oz. \$1.00.

**EXTRA EARLY DWARF ERFURT (Extra Selected).** Remarkable for reliability in heading. Very dwarf, with solid, pure white heads of superior quality. If planted the first of March, heads nine to twelve inches in diameter will be ready early in June. Per pkt. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. \$1.25; oz. \$2.25;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$7.50; per lb \$28.00.

**EXTRA EARLY PARIS.** Very early; good for forcing. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 65 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.75; per lb \$6.50.

**VEITCH'S AUTUMN GIANT.** The heads are white, large, compact, and thoroughly protected by foliage. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 60 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.75; per lb \$6.00, postpaid.

**CARROTS.**

By express, deduct TEN CENTS per pound.



OX-HEART CARROT.

**OX-HEART, or GUERANDE.** This new carrot is a decided advance in shape. It is intermediate as to length between the Half-long varieties (such as Danvers) and the Short Horn Carrot, but much thicker than the latter, attaining at the top from three to four inches in diameter. It is of very fine quality for table. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

**EARLY VERY SHORT SCARLET, or GOLDEN BALL** (also called **Earliest Short Horn for forcing**). This is the earliest carrot; small, round roots. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**SHORT HORN, or EARLY SCARLET HORN.** One of the most popular of all carrots: deep orange; flesh fine-grained; grows well in shallow soil. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

**HALF-LONG SCARLET, Stump-Rooted.** Suitable for shallow soils; smooth in skin and rich in color. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 55 cts.



THE TRUE DANVERS CARROT.

**DANVERS HALF-LONG ORANGE.** This famous variety originated in Danvers, Mass. In form it is midway between the Long Orange and Short Horn. The roots smooth and of a rich, dark-orange color. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts.

**CORELESS LONG RED.** Grows twelve to sixteen inches long; stump-rooted, of rich color. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.



CHANTENAY, OR MODEL CARROT.

**CHANTENAY, or MODEL CARROT.** For table use it is probably the best in shape and finest in quality of all. They are a little longer than the Short Horn and more productive; always very smooth and fine in texture; the flesh is tender, of a deep golden-orange. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; lb 55 cts., postpaid.

**SAINT VALLERY, or NEW INTERMEDIATE.** The roots grow very regular, of good size, being from ten to twelve inches in length and two to three inches in diameter at the top, tapering gradually. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 55 cts., postpaid.

**BURPEE'S IMPROVED LONG ORANGE.** The roots grow uniform and smooth, being always well formed, of large size, and deep, rich orange color. It is a good keeper, of fine quality for table use, and highly nutritious for stock. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

**NEW MEAUX.** The roots are of a large size, always smooth, thick, and hold their thickness well throughout their entire length. The skin and flesh are a bright reddish-orange, with a large yellow center—so tender throughout that it is truly "coreless." The roots measure two and a half to three inches in diameter at the shoulder and gently taper to the stump-rooted end, which is one and a half inches across in a well-grown specimen. The carrots are eight to ten inches long, and fine roots can be grown only four inches apart, so it will be seen that it is a *great cropper*. Per. pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**LARGE RED ALTRINGHAM.** Similar to the Long Orange, but of a bright red. Grown for stock feeding. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

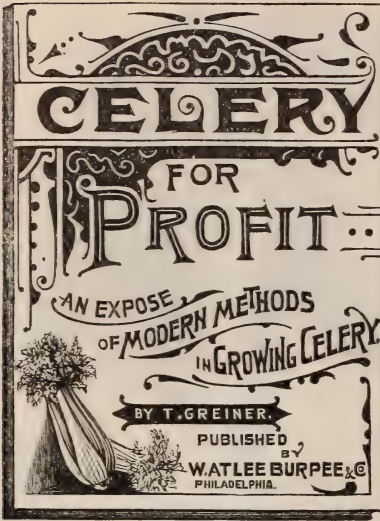
**LARGE WHITE VOSGES.** This is a field Carrot, for stock feeding, suitable for soils that are not very deep; it is productive, easily pulled, and keeps well. It is very broad at the neck, narrowed abruptly to the point. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 45 cts.

**IMPROVED SHORT WHITE.** One of the most productive and best for feeding stock. The roots are short, very heavy at the shoulder, tapering to the point. Uniformly smooth in form, they are easily harvested. Flesh rich, white, solid, crisp, and nutritious. It has yielded as high as twenty and a half tons per acre. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 45 cts.

**LARGE WHITE BELGIAN.** This attains the largest size. Flesh yellowish-white; excellent for stock. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; lb 40 cts., postpaid.

**LARGE YELLOW BELGIAN.** Also for cattle feeding; pale orange color. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 40 cts. By express, 30 cts. per lb.

**LOW PRICES FOR 1897.** Please notice our **Reduced Prices by the pound**, and remember, that if the seed is ordered to be sent by express or freight, you are entitled to deduct **TEN CENTS per pound** from all the prices quoted. We also now allow the purchaser to select **Seeds in PACKETS and OUNCES** to the value of \$1.25 for each One Dollar. This makes all Carrots cost only **4 CTS. per packet** and **8 CTS. per ounce net**. Please read about our **LIBERAL DISCOUNT** on page 3.



## CELERY FOR PROFIT.

All agree that Celery offers greater chances for making money than any other garden crop. The difficulties encountered by the old methods of growing, however, made success uncertain, and sure only with comparatively few expert growers. All this uncertainty is now a thing of the past, as modern methods make profitable Celery growing possible to all intelligent gardeners. From the same area which would give \$100.00 in any other vegetable, you may take \$400.00 or even \$500.00 in Celery, if you **know how**. This new book was specially written for us by MR. T. GREINER, author of **ONIONS FOR PROFIT**.


It tells how to dispense with nine-tenths of the labor generally thought necessary in Celery growing, and how to make the business pay really big profits. Under the right culture and conditions several thousand dollars' worth of Celery can be raised on a single acre. The book is thoroughly complete in every detail, and is embellished with many helpful and original illustrations. Our space allows us to give but a glimpse of the table of contents: Generalities,—An Introduction,—The Early Celery,—THE NEW CELERY CULTURE,—Where the Profit Lies,—The Irrigation Problem,—The Fall and Winter Crop,—Winter Storage,—Marketing Problems,—Varieties, etc., etc.

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### CELERY.—7 Well-Known Standard Varieties.

	Per oz.	¼ lb.	Per lb.
<b>Boston Market.</b> White, crisp, and solid; of rather loose habit, . . .	\$0 15	\$0 40	\$1 25
<b>Crawford's Half Dwarf.</b> Solid yellowish-white; nutty flavor, . . .	15	40	1 25
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 In regular size packets, each of the above, 5 cents per packet.

## GIANT PASCAL CELERY.



When fully grown the outer stalks average two inches wide, and are nearly as thick as a man's finger. The immense stalks can be sliced lengthwise, and are always *very crisp and brittle*, snapping like glass. It is a very vigorous grower; the heart is a *rich, bright yellow*. It blanches very easily, *requiring only five to six days' earthing-up*, when the outer stalks present a beautiful clear-white appearance. It is the **best keeper** of all Celeries for winter use. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. 35 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.

## NEW LARGE-RIBBED RED.

This is a sport of *The Giant Pascal*, now so famous as one of the best varieties grown. Thorough trials have demonstrated that this new variety has all the good qualities of its parent, with an advantage in the fact that the ribs are even thicker and stiffer. Of neat, compact growth, it is vigorous and hardy. Of most excellent quality, tender, and well-flavored, it is an exceedingly good keeper throughout the winter. Its handsome appearance in connection with its fine quality will do much to popularize Red Celeries in America.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 40 cts.

NEW GIANT PASCAL CELERY.



# NEW GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING CELERY.

The beautiful appearance of the plant, with its close habit, compact growth, and straight, vigorous stalks, is shown in the illustration. The ribs are perfectly solid, crisp, and of delicious flavor, while it has the decided merit of being self-blanching to a very remarkable degree. Without banking up or any covering whatever, even the outer ribs become of a handsome, fresh, yellowish-white color. The heart is large, solid, and of a beautiful, rich, golden-yellow color. The leaves, also, are of a beautiful golden-yellow after the plant has been bleached. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.

**GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING CELERY.**—"Blanches readily; is of good quality, and quite free from rust. A good keeper; an excellent variety,"—*Bulletin 131, MICHIGAN EXPERIMENTAL STATION, April, 1896.*

THE TEXAS EXPERIMENTAL STATION, in *Bulletin 37*, says of it in comparative trials with all leading sorts: "Grew twelve inches high; free from disease; easily blanched, and is very beautiful."

## WHITE PLUME CELERY

A desirable feature of this Celery is that (similar to the *Golden Self-Blanching*), naturally, its stalks and heart are white, so that by closing the stalks, by simply drawing the soil up against the plant and pressing it together with the hands, the work of blanching is completed. It is the *earliest* Celery in cultivation, but will not keep longer than Christmas.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75.



NEW GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING CELERY.



HENDERSON'S PINK PLUME CELERY.

## PINK PLUME CELERY

We have a splendid stock of seed grown from *selected plants* of this fine new Celery, which we take pleasure in recommending under the introducers' description as follows:—

"To those who are acquainted with 'White Plume' we can quickly describe the 'PINK PLUME' by stating that it is practically identical, but with the added merit of the stalks being exquisitely suffused with pink and possessing the crispness, rich, nutty flavor, and long-keeping qualities for which red celeries are noted. In this new celery, 'PINK PLUME,' in addition to its choice red celery flavor, we have a celery of remarkable attractiveness when trimmed for the table. The solid succulent stalks are *ivory-white suffused with dainty pink*, which not only delight the eye but tempt the palate of the epicure.

"HENDERSON'S NEW 'PINK PLUME' CELERY is a strong, healthy, compact grower, with no tendency to rust; stems very solid and crisp, extra early, and a long keeper, remaining when properly trenched in perfect condition away into the spring. It is a self-blanching variety in the same sense that *White Plume* and *Golden Self-Blanching* are,—that is, it requires but a slight earthing up or banking to prepare the variety for the table."

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**ALL OUNCE PRICES** are now subject to a discount of **Twenty per cent.** Purchasers can now select seeds in **packets AND ounces** to the value of **\$1.25** for each \$1.00 sent us,—see page 3. Please remember, however, that **this liberal discount** applies **ONLY** to seeds in packets and ounces, and **does not include** seeds by the quarter pound, pound, pint, or quart. Our prices on all **PLANTS and BULBS** as well as **SEEDS IN BULK** are **net**.

## CHIVES.

Chives are perfectly hardy little perennial members of the Onion tribe, and are grown exclusively for their tops, which are used wherever the flavor of onion is required. Planted in small clumps in any common garden soil, they will grow readily, and in time increase so as to render a division necessary. The tops appear very early in spring, and can be shorn throughout the season as needed. Roots, per bunch, 25 cts., postpaid.



## CHICORY.

**LARGE-ROOTED, or COFFEE.** The dried roots of this are much used in Europe as a substitute for coffee. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb 90 cts.



LARGE ROUND-LEAVED CORN SALAD.

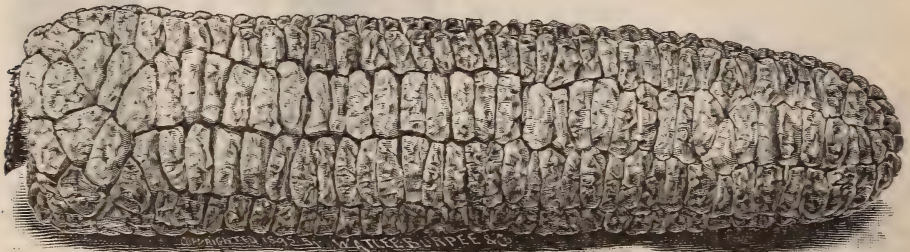
## COLLARDS.

**GEORGIA COLLARDS.** The Collard, also known in different sections as "Cole" and "Colewort," originated in the South, in the effort of the Cabbage to perpetuate itself under an adverse climate. Collards are extensively grown in the South for "greens," as they are an easy, sure crop, and afford an abundance of food for both man and beast. It forms a mass of leaves on a tall stem, and in the South continues in growth all winter. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.50, postpaid.

## CORN SALAD, or VETTICOST.

It is a mistake to suppose that lettuce is the only green for salad. Mrs. RORER gives recipes for many excellent salads in "HOW TO COOK VEGETABLES."

**LARGE ROUND-LEAVED, LARGE-SEEDED.** A small, hardy salad, extensively used during the winter and spring months as a substitute for lettuce; also cooked and served like spinach. In warm weather the plants will mature in from four to six weeks; sow early in spring. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.



An Ear of EARLY FORDHOOK SWEET CORN. Engraved from a Photograph, reduced in size.

## SWEET CORN,—EARLY FORDHOOK.



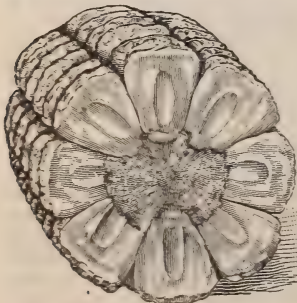
**EARLY FORDHOOK** is the largest-eared **extra early** Corn, averaging in length seven inches. The grains and cob are pure white. The ears are eight rowed with small cobs and deep grains. S. D. WOODRUFF, of Connecticut, says:—

"It is of sweet and excellent flavor, so much superior to Cory that one would never think of eating Cory after once tasting this. A great objection to the Cory, which is one of the best-known standard early Corns, is its tendency to smut, while this new early variety is entirely free from smut."

Competent judges pronounce it equal to *Crosby* in flavor, while it is five to six days earlier. *It remains fit for table use longer than any other early Corn known.* The stalks grow about five feet high and average two ears each. In some instances it has ripened one to two days earlier than Cory, and in other cases one to two days later, so that it may be said to *equal Cory in earliness, while surpassing any other extra early Sweet Corn in size, quality, sweetness, and entire freedom from smut.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid, by mail.

## SWEET CORN,—“FIRST OF ALL.”

The Earliest of All;—Earlier than the Early Cory.



The single statement on the preceding line will make thousands of our customers eager to have the **FIRST OF ALL Sweet Corn**. For years we have been watching all new varieties in the hope that we would eventually get a Sweet Corn even earlier than the famous **Cory Corn**, and at last this has been accomplished. The **FIRST OF ALL** is ready for the table from *three days to a week earlier than the Cory*, making it very desirable not only for family gardens, but extremely valuable to grow for market, where the earliest corn always brings by far the highest prices. The ears are of medium size, well filled with grains to the very tip. Many of the ears contain ten to twelve rows, while ears of the **Cory Corn** generally have only eight rows. In habit of growth it is rather dwarfer than the **Cory**, although similar in appearance, but *superior in quality, tender, and sweet.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; per quart 40 cts., postpaid.

# SUGAR CORN.

PLEASE NOTE that the prices quoted below are for the **seed postpaid by mail**. If wanted in larger quantities, by express or freight, see **Special BULK Price List, page 81**. Our Sugar Corn is of the very best quality, much superior to the *Nebraska grown* which is sold so generally.

↪ Each variety below is **10 cts. per pkt., 20 cts. per pint, or 35 cts. per quart, postpaid.**

**EXTRA EARLY ADAMS, or Burlington.** While not a *sweet corn*, this is a tender white corn for table use. Dwarf stalk, small ears; hardy.

**THE CORY.** It has become very popular, because *extremely* early, but is now excelled by the new **FIRST OF ALL** and **EARLY FORDHOOK**.

**MARBLEHEAD EARLY.** Extra early, after Cory.

**EARLY MINNESOTA.** The standard Early Sweet Corn; ripens a little earlier than Crosby's. Eight-rowed ears of good size, sweet, and well flavored.

**CROSBY'S Early TWELVE-ROWED.** Although called "twelve-rowed," it frequently has only ten rows. Of excellent quality, being sweet and juicy.

**STABLER'S EXTRA EARLY.** A new variety, of larger size than usual for the early kinds. It is remarkable for sweetness and earliness; a desirable canning variety.

**PERRY'S HYBRID SWEET CORN.** As early as the Minnesota, and ears much larger. The grains are very large and pure white, but the cob is red.

**SHAKER'S LARGE EARLY SWEET CORN.** A superb early variety, with large, well-filled ears; the kernels are of *pearly whiteness* and *most delicious*, sweet flavor. Ready to market one week after Crosby's, while the ears are very much larger, and it *completely fills the interval* between Crosby's and Stowell's Evergreen.

**NEW EVERBEARING.** The introducer: "Ripening a few days after Stabler's Early, each stalk will produce one to two well-developed ears; if these are picked when mature, one to two, and even four, more ears will develop on the same stalk."

**POTTER'S EXCELSIOR, or Squantum.** It ripens early, has large twelve-rowed ears and deep grains. It is remarkably sweet and tender.

**AMBER CREAM.** A strong, vigorous grower of medium season; stalks seven feet high, with dark foliage; ears of large size (ten to fourteen inches long) with deep kernels; *very rich and sugary*.



**NE PLUS ULTRA (Shoe Peg, or Quaker Sweet).** The deep shoe-peg kernels are placed irregularly but compactly upon the cob. It is very prolific, generally bearing three to five ears to the stalk, and matures a little before Stowell's Evergreen,—being *sweeter and more sugary to the taste even than that well-known standard of quality*.

**COUNTRY GENTLEMAN.** In this we have a variety which produces ears of full size, retaining all the delicious sweetness and high quality of the original *Ne Plus Ultra*. The crop will give three to five ears to a stalk.

**STABLER'S PEDIGREE.** Grains deep and in straight rows on the cob; silk white and easily removed.



Generally bears two handsome ears to the stalk, which are of large size. *It ripens earlier than Stowell's Evergreen, and is equal to that well-known standard in sweetness and flavor.*

**IMPROVED RUBY.** Both stalks and husks are of a *handsome dark-red color*, giving it a novel and beautiful appearance in growth. Ears of large size and well filled with large grains, packed closely on the red cob; of delicious flavor.

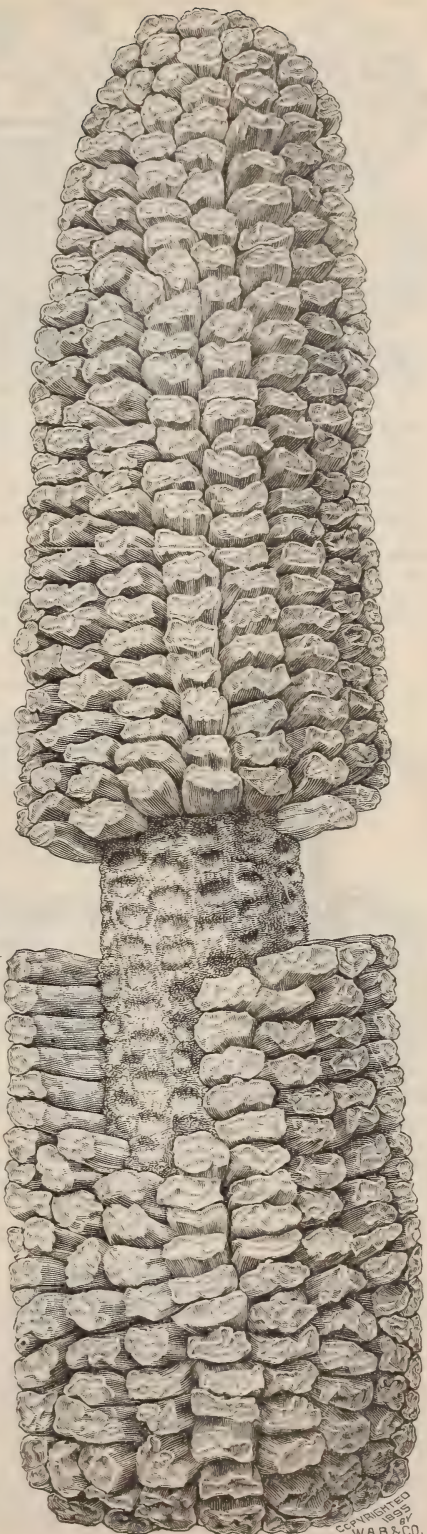


**STOWELL'S EVERGREEN.** See illustration engraved from a photograph of an ear of our improved strain. The seed which we offer is *free from glaze and flint*, has been grown completely isolated from all other varieties, and is warranted pure and true. Its qualities will not be found in the Stowell's Evergreen Sweet Corn as usually sold, which has generally deteriorated both in quality and productiveness. For *canning purposes* the **Improved Stowell's Evergreen Sweet Corn** will prove most satisfactory; its large ears, with long, slender grains, make by far the most salable canned corn, and it outyields all other varieties.

**MAMMOTH LATE.** This produces the largest ears of any, a single ear sometimes weighing two to three pounds. It ripens a little later than the Evergreen, with larger cobs, the kernels being flatter, not horse-tooth shape.

**EGYPTIAN, or WASHINGTON MARKET.** Later than the Mammoth, and ten days later than the Evergreen. Ears large and uniform.

For Bulk Prices, see page 81.



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It is a fact not generally known that Pop Corn pops best when more than one year old, and that, when well popped, it becomes twenty times its natural size; thus, a quart and a half will make nearly a bushel of popped corn. In the illustration will be seen a convenient "popper," which may be made easily of wire netting. The heading also shows the distinct character of the kernels of different varieties.

**QUEEN'S GOLDEN POP CORN.** The stalks grow six feet high, and the large ears are produced in abundance. Its quality and handsome appearance when popped are very noticeable. It pops perfectly white, and a single kernel will expand to a diameter of nearly one inch. *Ears* 10 cts. each, or 4 for 25 cts., by mail. Shelled, 10 cts. per pkt.; 20 cts. per pint; 40 cts. per quart.



**MAPLEDALE PROLIFIC.** This remarkable variety sometimes produces six to eight ears on a single stalk. The stalks grow six feet high, and the ears are all large in size, with grains nearly clear white in color. An average ear measured six and a half inches long, and contained 585 perfect kernels. It pops pure paper-white, of fine quality. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; per quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**NEW RED RICE.** The large, thick ears, from five to six inches long, are  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inches wide at the base, tapering gradually to the end. Each ear is crowded with handsome, large, rice-shaped kernels of a deep claret or dark-red color. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**SILVER LACE.** It suckers so that a single kernel will produce three to four stalks, making it an exceedingly productive variety. The ears are very handsome, five to six inches in length, with sixteen rows well filled out to the end with smooth, round, metallic white grains. It differs from the old rice pop corn in the shape of the kernels, greater productiveness, its superior tenderness when parched, and its beautiful transparency. Price of *ears* 10 cts. each, or 4 for 25 cts. postpaid. Shelled, 10 cts. per pkt.; 20 cts. per pint; 40 cts. per quart, postpaid.

**WHITE RICE.** The most widely known variety; very popular for parching. Selected seed. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per pint 20 cts.; per quart 35 cts., postpaid.

**AMBER RICE.** This beautiful and distinct Pop Corn will give great satisfaction. The stalks grow five feet high, each bearing two or three perfect ears eight to ten inches long, well filled with handsome, rich, amber-colored kernels. A most attractive variety; pops pure white, expanding to a large size, and is very tender when popped. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

### GOLDEN TOM THUMB POP CORN.

The stalks grow only eighteen inches high, and each stalk produces two or three perfect little ears, only two to two and a quarter inches long, completely filled with bright, golden-yellow grains, which, when popped, expand to a large size. It is a perfect miniature corn, and so ornamental is the growth that it can be made quite a feature of many flower gardens.

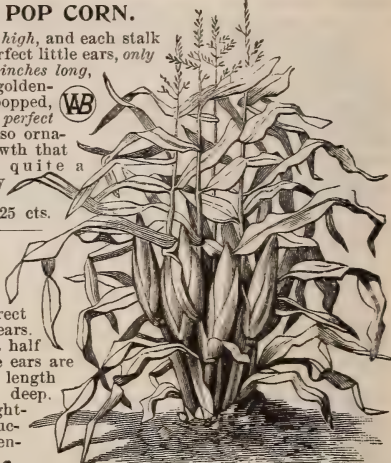
Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



### NEW CALIFORNIA YELLOW POP CORN.

Of a peculiar and beautiful habit; never suckers, but on each short, erect stalk there are three or four ears. The stalks grow three and a half feet high and the miniature ears are from two to three inches in length and perfect in form, with deep-pointed grains of a fine, light-yellow color. It is very productive, and extremely ornamental in growth; it pops well.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



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CALIFORNIA YELLOW POP CORN. Engraved from a Photograph.

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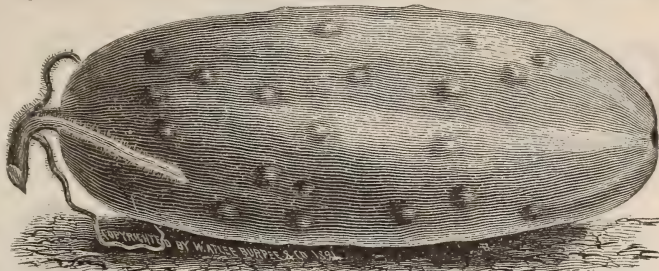
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# FORDHOOK WHITE SPINE CUCUMBER.

THE FORDHOOK is a marked improvement over all other strains of White Spine. The cucumbers are almost cylindrical in shape, slightly pointed at the ends, and handsome in appearance, being perfectly smooth and not ridged, as in other strains. The vines are of vigorous growth and enormously productive, the fruits retaining their dark-green color after being picked longer than any other variety; even when practically *white* they still present a greenish tinge. Decidedly *the best strain of White Spine.*

Per pkt. 5 cts.; per oz. 10 cts.; per ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid; by express 65 cts. per lb; 5 lbs, or more, at 60 cts. per lb.



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<b>Early Russian.</b> Earliest of all; small and good, . . . . .	\$0 10	\$0 20	\$0 55
<b>Improved Early White Spine, or Arlington.</b> A fine strain, . .	10	20	50
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<b>Burpee's White Pearl.</b> Small, smooth fruits of pearl-white color, . .	15	40	
<b>West India Gherkin.</b> Small, prickly fruits, exclusively for pickling,	10	25	90

In regular-size packets, each of the above, 5 cents per packet.

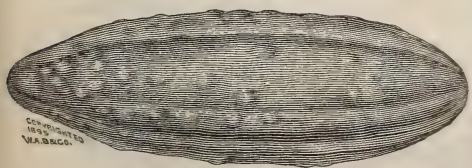
### EARLY GREEN PROLIFIC, or BOSTON PICKLING (Extra Early Prolific).

It is sufficient praise to say that it is equal to the Arlington or Peerless White Spine for pickling, and that it is immensely productive. Ours is the improved strain. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 55 cts.

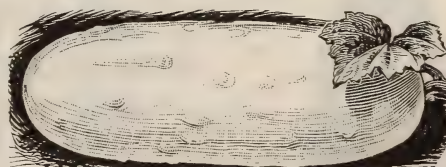


### NEW EXTRA EARLY WHITE SPINE.

This special strain of White Spine Cucumber is noted for its *extra earliness*; it is earlier than either the Fordhook, Hill's, or Arlington. The cucumbers are smaller in size, but of fine form and good color, while their extreme earliness renders this strain valuable. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 65 cts., postpaid.



THE NEW "COOL AND CRISP" CUCUMBER.



BURPEE'S WHITE WONDER CUCUMBER.

**BURPEE'S WHITE WONDER.** The cucumbers are thickly set throughout the length of the vine and are uniform in color, shape, and size; they average about eight inches long by two to two and a half inches through; the skin is thin, while the pearl-white flesh is *exquisitely fine in quality*, quite brittle, and remains solid for a long time. The color is always ivory-white. Of unusual hardness, and a *sure cropper*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.



LONDON LONG GREEN CUCUMBER.

**LONDON LONG GREEN.** The leading variety of Long Green Cucumber, twelve to sixteen inches long, of excellent quality, dark green, firm, and crisp. An *Extra Selected Strain*, of the true type. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 65 cts., postpaid.

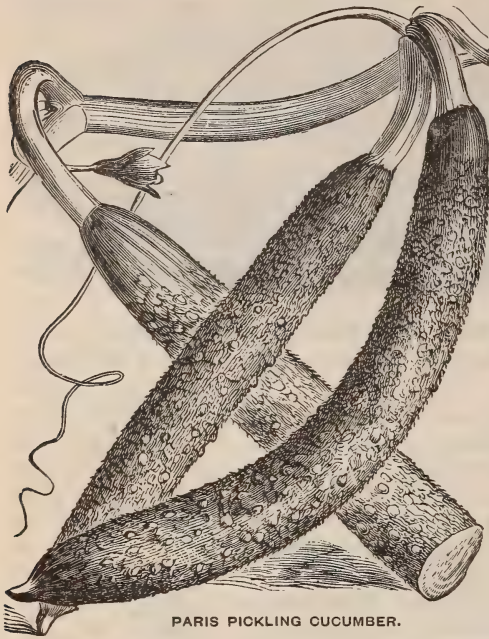
**SERPENT, or SNAKE CUCUMBER.** A remarkable and very interesting curiosity. The cucumbers grow curled up like a snake with the head protruding, and sometimes are *six feet in length*. Per pkt. 5 cts.

**"COOL AND CRISP."** Our little illustration from a photograph shows the shape, but until they reach full size the skin is a *very dark green*, almost black. Another peculiar feature is the prominence of the knobs upon which the spines are placed, making it very attractive for *pickling*, while it is also tender and crisp for slicing. "*Extra early! Exceedingly prolific! Bears the whole season!*" Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

## PARIS PICKLING CUCUMBER.

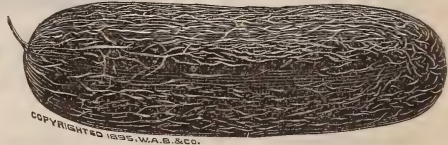
The PARIS PICKLING is decidedly the best of all in quality for pickling.

The young cucumbers, when of the proper age for pickling, are slim and slender, from three to five inches in length, and the entire surface of the skin is covered with delicate, black, hairy spines. The brittle crispness of these little fruits equals that of the best snap-shoot beans; so crisp and brittle are they that they snap freely, and, when ready for pickling, show absolutely no signs of seeds. When we add that at the pickling stage, in connection with the good qualities named, the fruits are of an unusually dark-green color—so deep that no coloring matter is necessary, even in preparing them for market—it will be apparent that the PARIS PICKLING is altogether unapproached in quality. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.



PARIS PICKLING CUCUMBER.

## Japanese Climbing Cucumber.



The vines are of healthy, vigorous growth, with rich, dark green foliage, and throw out strong, grasping tendrils, which enable it to climb trellis wire netting, brush, or any other suitable support. It bears abundantly throughout the season, while the climbing habit enables the hanging fruit to grow perfectly straight; from twelve to sixteen inches in length, the cucumbers are thick, tender, and of delicate flavor; flesh pure white, skin dark green turning to brown and netted when ripe. They are of good quality, and when young make attractive pickles. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.

## BURPEE'S GIANT PERA CUCUMBER.

As shown in the illustration, the cucumbers uniformly grow very smooth and straight; the skin is smooth, free from spines, and retains its clear color until nearly ripe. The green cucumbers are fit to eat at any stage, the flesh is entirely white, very clear, peculiarly crisp, tender, and brittle, with very few seeds, and free from the obnoxious "green cucumber taste." The seed cavity is remarkably small, and the seeds are so slow to form that even large cucumbers, twelve to fifteen inches in length and three inches in diameter, are still equally as firm and crisp as smaller specimens.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50, postpaid.



## NEW GIANT WHITE CUCUMBER.

The cucumbers are of gigantic size and always of a pure waxen white, from the time they are first set until matured. They grow from twelve to sixteen inches long by from two to three inches in diameter, very uniform, straight, and perfectly smooth. The flesh is very solid, pure white, with exceptionally few seeds, and is exceedingly crisp, of most superior flavor. We measured a magnificent specimen grown in our trial grounds nearly seventeen inches long by three and a quarter inches in diameter, that weighed six and a quarter pounds.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.

## Thorburn's Ever-Bearing Cucumber.

This variety has proved very useful on account of its ever-bearing character,—notice habit of growth in the illustration below. The first cucumbers are ready very early; then the vines continue to flower and produce fruit continuously until killed by frost. They are remarkably solid, with few seeds, and of very fine quality both for slicing and pickling.

Per pkt. 5 cts.; per oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 65 cts., postpaid.



**CRESS.**

**FINE CURLED** (*Pepper Grass*). Its leaves impart an agreeable and pungent taste to salads. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 45 cts., postpaid.

**WATER CRESS.** One of the most appetizing, delicious-flavored of small salads; it does fairly well in moist situations, but thrives best in shallow water on the edges of streams. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 35 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.00; per lb \$3.50, postpaid.

**UPLAND CRESS.** A perennial, resembling water cress in flavor. Good all the year round. Pkt. 10 cts.

**DANDELION.**

**IMPROVED LARGE-LEAVED.** Very early and wholesome greens. Sow in May or June; cultivate during summer, and following spring the leaves will be fit to cut. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 45 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.25; per lb \$4.50, postpaid.

**ENDIVE.**

This is one of the most refreshing and attractive of all autumn and winter salads. It is commonly known in restaurants as *Chicorée*, and is appetizing when served with lettuce, with plain French dressing.

**GREEN CURLED.** The hardiest variety; very ornamental, curled, dark-green leaves, which blanch white and crisp. Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.

**WHITE CURLED.** This is the most beautiful variety; the midrib is yellow and the leaves are almost white. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25.

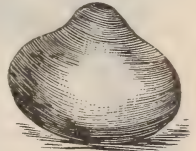
**BROAD-LEAVED BATAVIAN.** Forms large heads of broad, thick leaves, used for flavoring soups and stews, while if blanched the inner leaves make a fine salad. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; lb \$1.10.

**GOURDS.**

The following varieties will be found useful for household and farm purposes. An illustration of the variety, with instructions for growing, is printed on each paper. For ornamental varieties see *Flower Seeds*, page 109.

**SUGAR-TROUGH GOURD.**

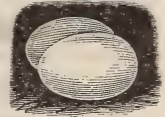
These gourds are useful for many household purposes, such as buckets, baskets, nest-boxes, soap and salt dishes, and for storing the winter's lard. They grow to hold from four to ten gallons each, have thick, hard shells, very light but durable. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; lb \$2.00.



**THE DIPPER GOURD.** This variety is also useful for many household purposes. When grown on the ground the stems will be curved, while if raised as a climbing vine, on a trellis, the weight of the blossom end will cause the stem to grow straight. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00.

**DISHCLOTH, or LUFFA.** A natural dishcloth, and a most admirable one, is furnished by the peculiar lining of this fruit, which is sponge-like, porous, tough, elastic, and durable. They are also most useful in the bath, in place of sponges. In the North requires to be started in a hotbed. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**JAPANESE NEST-EGG GOURD.** These exactly resemble, in color, shape, and size, the eggs of hens, do not crack, and are uninjured by cold or wet. They make the very best nest-eggs. The vine is useful for covering screens, etc., being quite ornamental, with the numerous white eggs. Pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.



**How to Cook Vegetables.**

BY MRS. S. T. RORER,

Principal of the Philadelphia Cooking School.

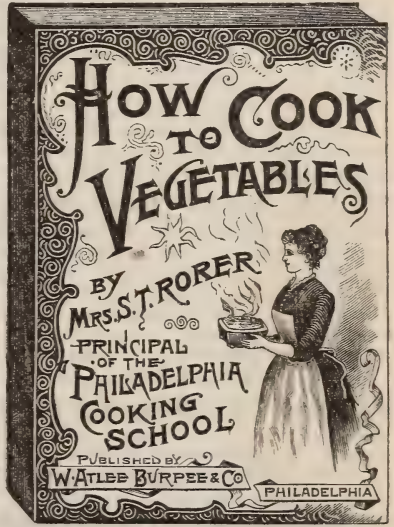
Every family wants a copy, as Mrs. Rorer is acknowledged authority by the best housekeepers everywhere. The recipes given have all been proven by practical tests in the kitchen and on the table.

It is a book of 182 pages, and gives numerous recipes for cooking all varieties of vegetables in every style—many of which will be new even to the most experienced housewives. As an illustration of how thoroughly the subject is treated, we would mention that it gives forty ways of cooking potatoes, twenty-six of tomatoes, and twenty-two of corn. It also gives twenty-eight recipes for making SOUPS and thirty-seven recipes for SALADS. Besides "HOW TO COOK VEGETABLES," it also tells numerous ways HOW TO PICKLE,—HOW TO PRESERVE FRUITS,—HOW TO CAN FOR WINTER USE, as well as how to serve vegetables cold.

An important supplement to the general scope of this treatise is the addition, also by Mrs. Rorer, of nearly fifty complete MENUS for spring, summer, autumn, and winter. In all it is a most complete book, that will prove really valuable to every progressive housewife.

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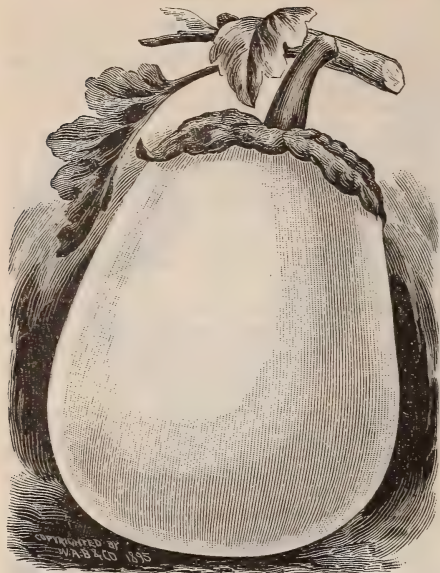


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As stated on second page of cover, we have always allowed the purchaser to select twenty-five cents' worth of seeds in packets EXTRA for each one dollar sent us for seeds in packets. For 1897 we have decided to allow this same liberal premium also on seeds in OUNCES,—with the only exception of *Cauliflower* and *Flower Seeds* priced at more than 25 cts. an ounce.

Thus, any one sending us \$1.00 can select seeds in PACKETS and OUNCES to the value of \$1.25; for \$2.00, seeds in PACKETS and OUNCES to the value of \$2.50; for \$3.00, seeds in PACKETS and OUNCES to the value of \$3.75, and so on, as stated on p. 3.

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NEW WHITE EGG PLANT,—THE "PEARL."

## EGG PLANT.

The Egg Plant should be grown in every garden, as it is one of the most delicious vegetables known. Sliced and fried in batter, served with raw tomatoes, it can well take the place of meat for supper in the summer or fall.

**THE "PEARL."** We never supposed that a white egg plant could be developed to fully equal in size and quality the popular *New York Improved Large Purple*. But here it is! It comes from Georgia, and at FORDHOOK produced magnificent "eggs," as large and fine as we have ever seen of any variety, with an attractive pure white skin. The plants are remarkably productive, and the fruits are of finest quality, either baked or fried. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 45 cts.

**NEW YORK IMPROVED LARGE PURPLE.** The leading market variety; of large size, skin deep purple, smooth, free of thorns; flesh white, of excellent quality; very productive. This is without exception the best egg plant in cultivation, and so much sorer to bear than the *Black Pekin* that we have discarded the latter. Our seed is an extra selected strain of superb quality. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 35 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.00; per lb \$3.50.

**EARLY LONG PURPLE.** Much hardier and earlier than the large Round Purple, succeeding further North. Fruit from six to ten inches long. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.

**EXTRA EARLY DWARF ROUND PURPLE.** This variety might well be described as a very small early New York Purple, as it is the same shape and fine in quality. Its great merit is its hardness and extra earliness, and hence it is valuable for Northern sections. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**NEW ORNAMENTAL EGG PLANT FROM TEXAS.** This is not "fit to eat," but should be grown either in the vegetable garden or in an obscure portion of the flower garden. Its botanical name is *Solanum texanum ovigerum coccineum*. It is well worth growing for the unusual character of its small fruits, which retain their unique beauty for months. The fruit is of such intense scarlet color and so glossy as to make one believe, at first, that it is artificially colored and varnished. Much pleasure can be derived from giving detached fruits to friends, as every one wonders, "What can it be?" Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

## KOHL-RABI, OR TURNIP-ROOTED CABBAGE.

Kohl-rabi is grown for its turnip-shaped bulb, which is formed above ground. The bulb should be used while young and tender, as age detracts from its good quality. Set the plants eight inches apart in the row. When properly prepared, the Kohl-rabi is one of the most desirable of vegetables.



**GREEN OR WHITE.** Good for table use and stock feeding. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00, postpaid.

**EARLY WHITE VIENNA.** The best for table use. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.60.

**EARLY PURPLE VIENNA.** This variety is the most largely grown for table use in Germany and Austria. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.60.

## HORSE RADISH.

The best is grown by planting small lengths of roots called "sets," and not from the crowns. These "sets," planted in May, small end down, with the top one to one and a half inches below the surface, in rich, well-cultivated soil, will form radish of large size and superior quality in one season's growth. Before planting, the top of the set should be cut off slantingly, so as to prevent decay from water resting on the top. The large roots will be ready to pull in October, and from these large roots a supply of sets can be cut off for the next spring's planting. It is customary to gather the crop of roots in October and keep them in trenches, ready to market as opportunity offers during the winter. If grown only for family use, however, it is better to pull the roots just as wanted during the winter. Small roots 8 for 20 cts.; 25 cts. per dozen, or 90 cts. per 100, by mail, postpaid. Write for special low prices by the thousand.

## LEEK.

Sow the seed very early, in a seed bed in a sheltered place, if possible. When plants are about six inches long, transplant them to trenches six inches deep, with very rich soil at the bottom. Fill up the trenches as the plants grow, and later draw soil up to them. As a result you will have fine, large leeks, blanched half a foot long, which may be kept all winter if dug up with the roots on, and stored in moist sand in the cellar. Aside from being valuable for soups and salads, blanched leek makes an excellent dish when sliced and cooked like green peas. This fact does not seem to be generally known, as well-grown leek is so seldom seen.



**BROAD LONDON FLAG.** Large, with broad leaves. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00.

**MONSTROUS CARENTAN, or SCOTCH CHAMPION.** A very choice variety, of extra large size, rapid growth, and very hardy. The leaves are fan-shape, of a dark-green color; the edible stem is six to eight inches long and three inches in diameter. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.60.

First-class Seeds, of equal quality, cannot be bought anywhere for less money, while, from thousands of trials made every year, at our FORDHOOK FARM, we KNOW that

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The best Lettuce Seed is grown in California, **BUT** there are growers *and* growers. A well-known seedsman,—one of the largest in the country,—came to us recently for a supply of Lettuce Seed, saying that he did not dare to use in his choice retail trade the seed he had received on contract from his grower in California, **BECAUSE** he had **many complaints** last year. We resist the tendency of "**Jobbers in Seeds**" to force prices down to a point where the growers **cannot afford to grow FIRST-CLASS SEED.**

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	Per oz.	¼ lb.	Per lb.
<b>White-Seeded Tennis Ball, or Boston Market.</b> For forcing, . . .	\$0 10	\$0 30	\$1 00
<b>Black-Seeded Tennis Ball.</b> For forcing; extremely hardy, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Black-Seeded Butter.</b> Similar to Tennis Ball, but larger, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Yellow-Seeded Butter.</b> Dense yellow heads; crisp and tender, . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Hittinger's Belmont Forcing, or New Hot-Bed Lettuce,</b> . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Philadelphia Speckled Dutch Butter.</b> Fine for forcing; solid, . . . .	15	40	1 25
<b>Stonehead Golden Yellow.</b> Handsome, solid head; very quick growing,	15	40	1 25
<b>Grand Rapids.</b> A famous cutting lettuce, for forcing, . . . . .	15	35	1 00
<b>Early Curled Silesia.</b> A leading early sort for cutting, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Early Curled Simpson.</b> Loose head; early and tender, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Black-Seeded Simpson.</b> Larger in size and lighter in color, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Onondaga.</b> A superb cutting lettuce; outer leaves shaded brown, . . .	15	40	1 25
<b>Blonde Blockhead.</b> Hard, compact heads of a rich golden-yellow color,	15	40	1 25
<b>Gold Nugget.</b> Fine golden-yellow heads, of rich, buttery flavor, . . .	15	40	1 25
<b>Burpee's Tomhannock.</b> A fine, upright cutting lettuce for the garden,	15	40	1 50
<b>Boston Curled.</b> Of poor quality, but great beauty, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Green Fringed.</b> Most ornamental in growth; leaves beautifully fringed,	10	30	1 00
<b>Early Prize-Head.</b> Large loose heads, tinged with brown, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Denver Market.</b> Attractive, large, solid heads; of fine quality, . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>New York.</b> Large, solid heads; very dark green in color, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Philadelphia Early White Cabbage.</b> Fine, handsome heads, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Paris Self-Folding White Cos.</b> *Upright; crisp and tender, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Giant White Cos.</b> Of large, upright growth; fine quality, . . . . .	10	30	1 00

Each Lettuce, named above, 5 cents per packet.

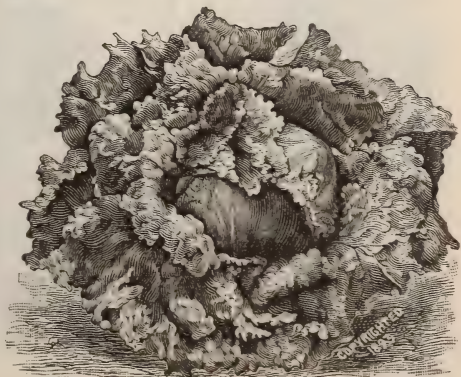
## NEW ICEBERG LETTUCE.

**Quick Growing.—Heads Hard and Handsome.—Tender and True.**

There is no handsomer or more solid Cabbage Lettuce in cultivation—in fact, it is strikingly beautiful. The large, curly leaves which cover the outside of the solid heads are of a bright, light green.

The unusual solidity of the heads is insured by the large, white main ribs of the leaves, each of which, curving strongly into the center, acts like a truss, making it impossible for the leaves to open outward and expose the center, which is constantly thoroughly blanched. It matters not whether in the early spring or the hottest days of summer, the leaves are always *crisp and tender*.

**ICEBERG LETTUCE (Burpee's).**—Producing solid heads, eight inches in diameter, very crisp and sweet; is a valuable variety for main crop as it does not run to seed readily; it is in season for a long time.—*Bulletin of OREGON EXPERIMENTAL STATION.*



NEW ICEBERG LETTUCE.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. 30 cts.; ¼ lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.



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WHEELER'S TOM THUMB LETTUCE.

**TOM THUMB LETTUCE.** Good for forcing, and most excellent for early spring sowing in the open garden. Of bright green appearance, each plant makes a solid, compact head, so hard and compact that it is well blanched within, *rich and buttery*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.

"WHEELER'S TOM THUMB (Burpee), is a variety well named. It is small, forms a very hard, compact head, can be planted close together, and matures very early. We also forced it in the greenhouse last season with very good results."—From *Bulletin No. 39 of the WEST VIRGINIA EXPERIMENTAL STATION.*

**BURPEE'S SILVER BALL.** Solid and compact, with handsomely curled leaves. The head is of an attractive, silvery-white color, very rich, buttery, and of most delicious flavor. It is excellent, both for spring and summer. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; lb \$1.25.



IMPROVED HANSON LETTUCE. From a Photograph.

**HANSON (Improved Hard-Heading Stock).** Heads green outside and white within; grows to a remarkable size, *very solid*, and is refreshingly sweet, crisp, and tender. It withstands the hot sun. *Most of the heads are so very solid that they do not send up any seed stalks unless cut open with a knife.* Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.



BURPEE'S HARD-HEAD LETTUCE.

**BURPEE'S HARD-HEAD LETTUCE.** It grows very rapidly and heads extremely early; the heads are nearly as solid as cabbage. The outer leaves are tinged with brownish-red, changing toward the center of the head from a beautiful golden-yellow to a creamy white. It is as palatable as it is beautiful; very tender; never bitter; of a *sweet, buttery flavor*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.

**BURPEE'S HARD-HEAD.**—Planted April 27th, shipped June 27th, July 7th; planted July 21st, shipped September 13th, 26th, October 6th. A brown cabbage; first-class; equal to the best varieties.—From *Bulletin No. 69 of the NEW YORK AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTAL STATION.*

**THICK-HEAD YELLOW.** Every plant heads and the heads are uniformly shaped, *very large and thick through*, and of "a solidity equal to that of a cabbage." They measure about seven inches across the solid head. The leaves are slightly crumpled, of a beautiful greenish-yellow color, and *for tenderness it is unsurpassed by any existing variety*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 45 cts.; per lb \$1.60, postpaid.

**MIGNONETTE.** The entire plant of this dainty little Lettuce measures only seven inches across, while the heads are very solid and compact. The outer leaves are richly colored with russet-red and bronze-green, while the solid hearts are of a light cream color. It is very hardy and fit for use five days after the Boston market, and it is also *long standing*,—excellent even for midsummer. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.

**BURPEE'S TOMHANNOCK.** It forms a beautiful plant, ten to twelve inches high by nine to ten inches across; the leaves grow upright, the upper part of the outer leaves turning outward gracefully. The edges are of a glossy reddish-bronze; within the leaves are almost white, and wonderfully crisp and tender. It grows very quickly, is ready to cut early. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50, postpaid.



DWARF WHITE HEART COS LETTUCE,—as grown at Fordhook Farm.

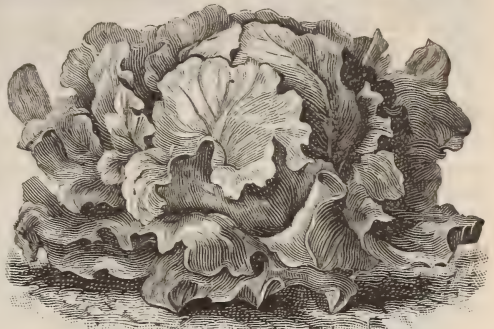
## DWARF WHITE HEART CELERY LETTUCE.

The *earliest* in cultivation and very *long standing*,—being the slowest to shoot to seed. Of an attractive green color, the plants grow about eight inches high and four to five inches across. The outer leaves are well folded over, blanching the inner leaves thoroughly, without "tying up" or any artificial aid. Of beautiful stiff habit of growth, practically every plant makes a fine, well-developed head, and is very crisp and tender. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.

## New Cabbage Lettuce,—The "Morse."

First named and introduced by us in 1896, THE MORSE LETTUCE has given grand satisfaction everywhere. Market gardeners will understand somewhat of its character when we say that it is a *White-Seeded Black-Seeded Simpson*, contradictory as this may sound to the amateur. While, properly speaking, it is not a hard-heading Cabbage Lettuce, each plant makes a very large bunch of leaves, which are so compact as to cause the inner leaves to blanch. The outer leaves are of a clear, light green, while within they are of a beautiful yellow, or straw color. It is particularly crisp, tender, and refreshing to the taste,—but not "buttery" as are the two lettuces described below. It is altogether a most excellent Lettuce, both for early spring and summer use.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.



THE MORSE LETTUCE.

## California Cream Butter Lettuce, also called "ROYAL SUMMER CABBAGE."

THE CREAM BUTTER LETTUCE forms round, solid heads, which outside are of a medium green slightly marked with small brown spots; within, the leaves are of a very rich cream-yellow color—most refreshing in appearance and particularly rich and buttery to the taste. The heads are of good size. It is medium early and one of the best summer varieties of head lettuce we have ever seen. It is a black-seeded variety, and the heads are so solid that, generally, they have to be cut before any seed stalk can make its appearance.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.



## San Francisco Market, or The Deacon Lettuce.

This magnificent **Butter-Head** Lettuce is unsurpassed. A head is accurately shown in the illustration herewith, engraved from a photograph. It stands hot weather without becoming bitter or running to seed, and bears fine, large heads of superb quality, light green outside and within a beautiful cream-yellow of delicious, rich, buttery flavor. It is the result of over forty years' careful selection in the garden of a private family. Most highly recommended for both home use and to sell on market.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.



**BURPEE'S SEEDS are the BEST that Grow!**



Of the leading Melons in cultivation to-day, it is well known that many of the most popular and best varieties were first named and introduced by us. These varieties, designated by our Registered Trade-Mark Monogram, stand upon

their own merits, and most of them are universally recognized as the standards of excellence in melons. There is scarcely a seed catalogue published in the United States, Canada, South America, Russia, or Hungary but that contains words of highest praise in favor of our varieties.

**HOW TO GROW MELONS FOR MARKET.** Compiled from the PRIZE ESSAYS, this little book will be of value to every Melon grower. It treats of both Muskmelons and Watermelons, with full information on soil, manures, selection of varieties, planting of seed, destruction of insects, cultivation, how to grow extra large melons, when to gather for market, etc.

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**MUSK MELONS, or Cantaloupes.**

	Per oz.	¼ lb.	Per lb.
<b>Early Jenny Lind.</b> Small, early; fine, light-green flesh, . . . . .	\$0 10	\$0 20	\$0 60
<b>Grand Rapids.</b> A large melon, salmon flesh; <i>very early</i> , . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Beck's Columbus.</b> Netted buff skin; luscious light-green flesh, . . . . .	10	25	70
<b>Beck's Triumph.</b> Oval, medium size; very sweet red flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Tip-Top.</b> Smooth skin; sweet, juicy light-green flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Hackensack, or Turk's Cap.</b> Large, round; flattened; green flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>New Early Hackensack.</b> Ten days earlier, . . . . .	10	25	75
<b>Superior.</b> Round, densely netted; sweet light-green flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Perfection, or Princess.</b> Nutmeg-shape, netted; sweet salmon flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>New Superb.</b> A handsome late melon; sweet green flesh, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Jersey Belle.</b> Extra early; beautiful deep-green flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Reedland Giant.</b> A long, showy cantaloupe; green-fleshed, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Prolific Nutmeg.</b> Round, heavily netted; thick, green flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Osage, or Miller Cream.</b> Flesh of rich salmon, thick and sweet, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Green-fleshed Osage.</b> Pea-green flesh, of delicious flavor, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Surprise.</b> Cream-colored skin; flesh salmon color; not desirable, . . . . .	10	20	55
<b>White Japan.</b> Smooth, light skin; thick, musky flavor, . . . . .	10	20	55
<b>The Banquet.</b> Densely netted, globular; dark, rich salmon flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Delmonico.</b> Oval shape, heavily netted; orange-pink flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Perfected Delmonico.</b> More uniform in shape; better flavor, . . . . .	10	25	70
<b>Acme, or Baltimore.</b> Oblong, pointed; light-green flesh, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Banana.</b> Grows eighteen to twenty-four inches long; a curiosity, . . . . .	10	25	
<b>Boston Mango.</b> Useless as fruit, but the very best for " <i>Mangoes</i> ," . . . . .	10	25	75

In regular-size packets, each of the above, 5 cents per packet.



**EMERALD GEM**

The melons are about the size of *Burpee's Netted Gem*, but the skin, while ribbed, is smooth and of a very deep emerald-green color. The flesh, which is thicker than in any other melon of the same size, is of a beautiful suffused salmon color; extremely thin rind. The flesh is crystalline in appearance, and the flavor is **sweet and luscious beyond description.** The vines are thrifty in growth, very prolific; the melons mature *extremely early.* Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.



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BURPEE'S MELROSE MELON. *Accurately engraved from a Photograph.*

## —BURPEE'S MELROSE MELON.—

The Most Handsome and Decidedly the BEST of all New Cantaloupes.

BURPEE'S MELROSE MELON is a very hardy, strong, and vigorous grower, the vines remaining green longer than in any other variety. The melons are produced abundantly, and very close to the hill,—a feature of great value. The color is rich, dark green; the shape is oval, as shown in the illustration. The melons average in weight about four pounds, densely netted, showing but slight tendency to rib; the form is remarkably perfect. The flesh is very thick and solid; clear, light green in color, shading to a rich salmon at the seed cavity. In flavor THE MELROSE cannot be equaled by any other variety, and carries its fine quality and sweetness to the extreme edge of the skin. It is only about one week later in ripening than the small early Jenny Lind.



Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.

### BURPEE'S CHAMPION MARKET MELON.

The flesh is thick, light green in color, and of rich, sweet flavor, well maintaining the promise of quality that is indicated by the deep ribs, heavy netting, and handsome appearance. The melons are of the same form and outer appearance as *Burpee's Netted Gem*, but are three times the size. It is very productive, frequently bearing seven perfect melons on a single vine. The melons mature nearly as early as *Burpee's Netted Gem*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00, postpaid.

**BURPEE'S BAYVIEW.** This celebrated variety was first named and introduced by us twenty years ago. It is large and remarkably productive, being a strong, vigorous grower. With ordinary cultivation, the Bayview will weigh ten to fifteen pounds, while with extra manuring it will reach seventeen to twenty pounds in weight. It has sweet, light green flesh. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 55 cts.


**EMERALD GEM.**—Too much cannot be said of the flavor of this melon,—our most prolific one, 67 specimens that weighed 146 pounds being produced on nine vines. Kind thin, green in color. Worthy of general cultivation, and especially for home use.—From *Bulletin of the Agricultural Experiment Station of the UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE.*



BURPEE'S CHAMPION MARKET MELON.

## MUSK MELONS.

DEDUCT TEN CENTS PER LB. from prices quoted, if ordered by express.

**BURPEE'S NETTED GEM.** *This is a Gem, indeed!* First named and introduced by us sixteen years ago, it is no new or untried novelty, but well deserves the prominent position we give it in our Catalogue. *There is much impure and mixed seed on the market, for which we are not responsible, but, when grown from pure seed, it is the best early small green-fleshed melon known to-day.* The illustration shows their shape, which is almost a perfect globe.  They grow remarkably uniform, weighing from one and a quarter to one and a half pounds each. They are thick-meated, the flesh is light green in color, and uniformly of fine, luscious flavor; skin green, regularly ribbed and thickly netted. Very prolific and extra early in ripening—no variety being earlier. It is grown to-day more largely for the Philadelphia markets than any other variety. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 65 cts., by mail, postpaid.




BURPEE'S NETTED GEM MELONS. *From a Photograph.*

**LONG ISLAND BEAUTY.** The illustration accurately pictures this new Melon, having been engraved direct from a photograph. *It is a much better melon than the Extra Early Hackensack, and about as early.* The lobes are wider and the netting heavier than on the Hackensack, while the bright green flesh is thicker and sweeter,—being of delicious flavor. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**NEW APPLE-SHAPED.** It is so rarely that we obtain a really desirable new Melon from Europe that it is worthy of note that this new APPLE-SHAPED MELON originated in France. *It is quite distinct from all others.* The fruits are small (about the size of Burpee's Netted Gem), apple-shaped, dark green mottled with light spots, bright yellow when ripe, inclined to be a little warty. The flesh is of a most beautiful bright salmon color, clear to the thin rind; firm, sweet, and aromatic. The seeds are packed closely in a very small seed cavity, the interior being almost entirely composed of the thick luscious flesh. A unique novelty. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

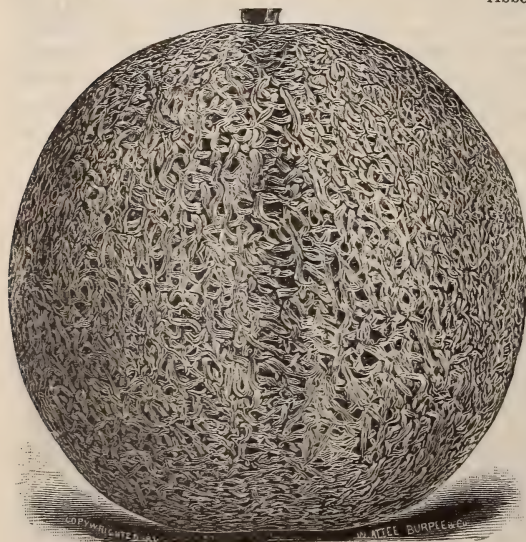


NEW LONG ISLAND BEAUTY MELON.

**MONTREAL GREEN NUTMEG.** The fruit is nearly round, flattened at the ends, deeply and very regularly ribbed; skin green, densely netted; flesh remarkably thick, light green, melting, and of a delicious flavor. To all who desire to raise the handsomest melons possible for exhibition, or extra large, fine melons for market, we highly recommend the *Montreal Improved Nutmeg*. The frequent reports of melons of mammoth size induced us to offer prizes for the largest specimens grown. The largest was raised by Mr. J. B. Dabney, of Savannah, Ga., and weighed  $30\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.; the second largest was raised by Mr. J. W. Scott, Socorro, New Mexico, weight  $38\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 70 cts. 

**CANNON BALL.** This novelty was introduced from Texas as "the finest flavored and best shipping Muskmelon in America." It is largely grown in Waller County, Texas, and shipped long distances at high prices. *It is certainly a fine Melon!* In shape it is round as a ball, medium size, six to eight inches in diameter, and heavily netted. The flesh is light green, melting, and deliciously flavored, remarkably solid, with extremely small seed cavity. It is very prolific and continues in bearing a long time. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**COSMOPOLITAN.** The illustration, from a photograph, represents exactly the handsome, round, heavily netted appearance of this fine new melon. The beautiful green flesh is very sweet and melting, while the melons are borne in abundance. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

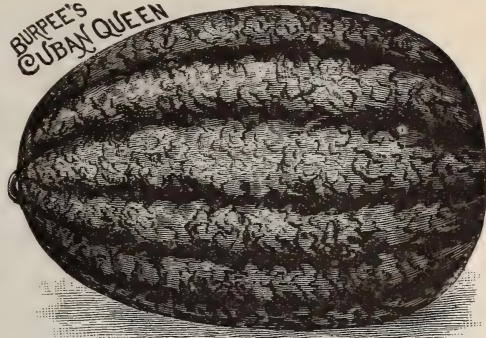


COSMOPOLITAN MUSKMELON. *From a Photograph.*

# WATERMELONS.

Our prices include payment of postage by us. If the seed is ordered by express, deduct 10 CTS. per lb. from prices quoted. For full instructions in melon growing, read "HOW TO GROW MELONS," advertised on page 48.

BURPEE'S CUBAN QUEEN



**BURPEE'S CUBAN QUEEN.** This magnificent Melon from the West Indies was first brought prominently before the public by us in 1881. The illustration, engraved from a photograph, gives a fair idea of the form and markings. The skin is beautifully striped, dark and light green. The flesh is bright red, remarkably firm, luscious, and sugary. They are wonderfully solid and their rind is unusually thin, being scarcely more than half an inch thick on a melon of enormous size. In 1883 John G. Miller, of Georgia, raised three Cuban Queens, weighing, respectively, 81 lbs., 97 lbs., and 111 lbs. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.



	Per oz.	$\frac{1}{4}$ lb.	Per lb.
<b>Phinney's Early.</b> A first-class, extra early ; of medium size, . . . . .	\$0 10	\$0 20	\$0 50
<b>Vick's Early.</b> Extra early ; oblong ; skin varies in color, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Dark Icing, or Ice Rind.</b> Of round form ; sugary flavor, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Duke Jones.</b> A famous new Southern melon, introduced in 1895, . . . . .	10	25	75
<b>Florida Favorite.</b> An oblong melon, of fine flavor, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Girardeau's New Favorite.</b> An improved Florida Favorite, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Pride of Georgia.</b> Round in shape ; skin striped, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Seminole.</b> Similar to Jordan's Gray Monarch, . . . . .	10	25	70
<b>Ice Cream, or Peerless.</b> True white-seeded ; oblong, luscious, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Red-Seeded Vauclose.</b> Of elongated egg-shape ; superb quality, . . . . .	10	25	75
<b>Koib's Gem.</b> The great market melon ; carries well, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>The Boss.</b> A fine, oblong melon ; of small size, good flavor, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Kentucky Wonder.</b> A popular market melon in the West, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Striped Gypsy, or Georgia Rattlesnake.</b> A large, oblong melon, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>The Jones.</b> A great favorite in the South ; rich flavor, . . . . .	10	25	70
<b>Ruby-Gold.</b> Flesh yellow and red ; not recommended, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Colorado Preserving.</b> The best for citron preserves, . . . . .	10	25	70

Each of the above Watermelons, 5 cents per packet.

## FORDHOOK EARLY WATERMELON.

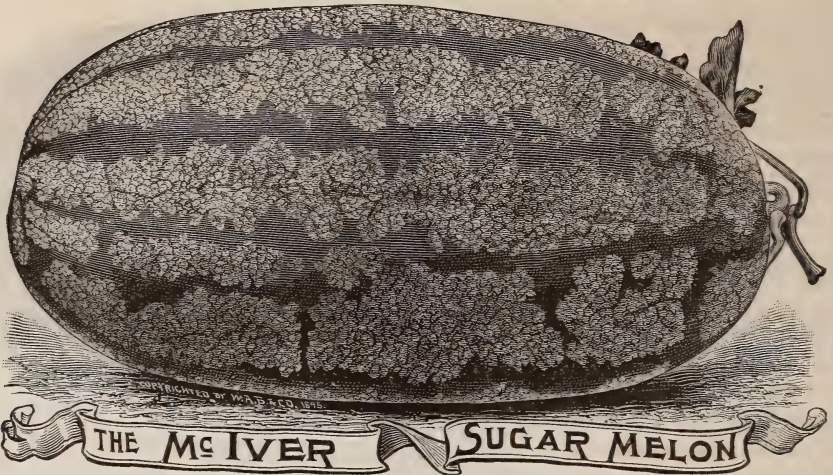
MR. PAYNTER FRAME, of Delaware, originator of the FORDHOOK EARLY, says :—

"This new Melon has been grown side by side with all other sorts, and has proven itself to be the earliest of all."

We have had early melons of good quality (notably *Burpee's Hungarian Honey* and *Phinney's Early*), but this is the first extra early watermelon of fine quality that is also of large size. From seed planted on the tenth day of May, large, ripe melons were picked the last week in July, thus demonstrating its inbred character of maturing extra early.

As shown in the illustration, engraved from a photograph directly on the wood, the form is nearly round. The average weight of the melons, even during an exceptionally bad season, was thirty-five pounds each, —a size rarely attained by any other extra early melon under favorable conditions. The rind is tough, making it a valuable variety for shipping; the outer color is a uniform medium-green; the seeds are white; the flesh is bright red and very sweet. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.25.





**MCIVER SUGAR MELON.** Oblong in shape; the size is *uniformly large*. Of handsome appearance, the skin shows broad bands of white, shading into narrower bands of dark green. The quality is very superior; the flesh is of a soft pale pink, crisp, *free from any stringiness* (even after an unfavorable season), juicy, and of *luscious sweetness*. The melons have a solid heart, free from any cracks or open spaces, while the seed rows are close to the rim, thus leaving the largest possible quantity of solid flesh in the center of the melons. The rind is never more than one inch in thickness.  
Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., by mail, postpaid.

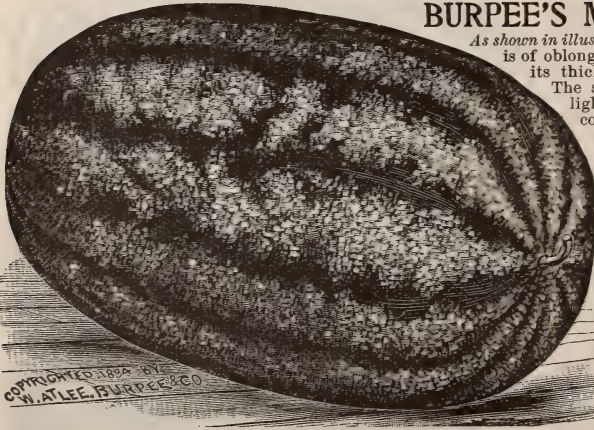
**JORDAN'S GRAY MONARCH,  
Or Long White Icing.**

Although introduced by one seed house as *Jordan's Gray Monarch*, by another as *Long White Icing*, we consider the two names synonymous, as descriptive of one variety. The skin is of an attractive, mottled, *very light* green color, so light as to nearly warrant the name white or gray. The flesh is deep red in color and of very fine quality—fully equal to the old *Icing*, which has long been recognized as one of the finest flavored water-melons grown. In size, this new variety is much larger than the old, specimens having been raised to weigh sixty to seventy pounds each. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.



**BURPEE'S MAMMOTH IRONCLAD.**

As shown in illustration herewith, this magnificent melon is of oblong shape, very thick through, and retains its thickness at both stem and blossom end. The skin is beautifully striped with very light green. The flesh is of a dainty red color, of rich, sugary flavor; the heart is very large. The flesh is always firm, *remarkably solid*. Under ordinary cultivation we have had hundreds of melons weighing from sixty to seventy pounds each, while in 1886 Mr. John G. Miller, of Stone Mountain, Georgia, won our prize of \$25.00 with a *Mammoth Ironclad* of one hundred and ten pounds' weight, to which he took affidavit. While not producing so many melons to the acre as smaller varieties, they produce a greater weight. They are veritably *Ironclad*—cutting into one is just like cutting into a citron, and none carries better to distant markets.  
Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.



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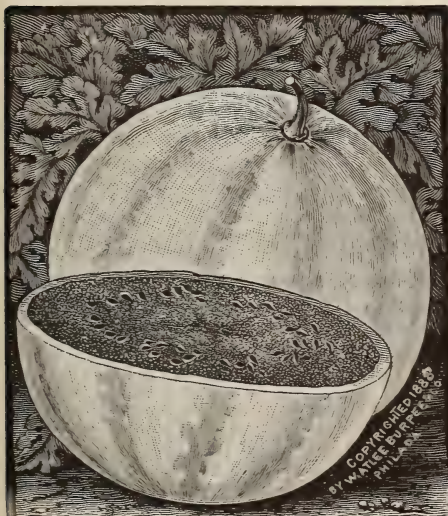


HUNGARIAN HONEY WATERMELON.

**BURPEE'S HUNGARIAN HONEY.** The melon from which the illustration was taken weighed eleven and one-half pounds, and measured twenty-eight and one-half inches in stem and blossom end circumference, being practically a perfect globe in shape. All the melons are as "alike as two peas"—making it remarkably "thoroughbred." The color of the skin is a handsome, medium dark green, with dim waterings of a darker green. The HUNGARIAN HONEY MELON is very appropriately so called, as it is SURPASSINGLY SWEET and LUSCIOUS, of a very rich honey flavor, richer and sweeter to the taste than any other watermelon. The melons ripen early; the vines are very productive. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

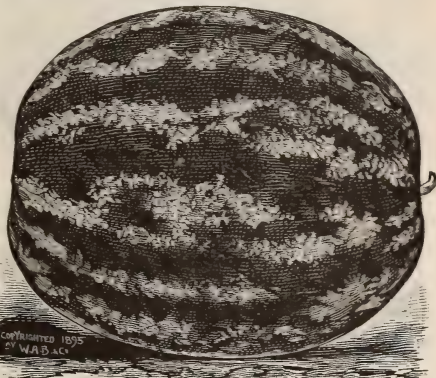


**THE DIXIE.** This Watermelon possesses the rich luscious flavor of the old Mountain Sweet united with the excellent shipping character of the Kolb's Gem. The form is considerably longer than the Kolb's Gem, while the skin is a darker green in color and beautifully striped; the flesh is of an intense, deep, bright scarlet, very sweet, tender, and juicy. It is a heavy setter of fruit, being strong and vigorous in growth. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.



BURPEE'S WHITE GEM WATERMELON.

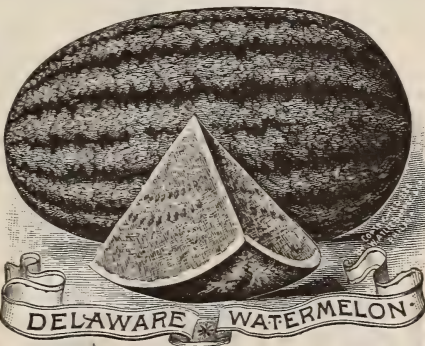
**BURPEE'S WHITE GEM.** Perfectly round in shape, weighing fifteen to twenty pounds each, of a beautiful cream-white color when ripe, only faintly striped. The skin is so tough that a melon fully ripe will support a man, without even cracking the flesh—this notwithstanding that the rind is only a scant half-inch in thickness. In a cut melon the beautiful flesh seems almost to touch the skin. The flesh is a rich, bright pink, crisp, melting, very juicy, and deliciously sweet in flavor; fully as luscious as *The Hungarian Honey*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.10, postpaid.



NEW WATERMELON,—COLE'S EARLY.

**WATERMELON,—COLE'S EARLY.** This is one of the finest early watermelons; of medium size, form and markings shown in the illustration, engraved from a photograph. It is so early that it matures in every State; very hardy; the flesh is deep red in color, clear to the rind, and is most sweet and delicate in flavor. It is exceedingly brittle, and hence cannot be shipped to distant markets, but is most desirable for the home garden. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**SWEET HEART.** This new melon from Indiana has given excellent satisfaction. The melons are uniformly of good size, oval; skin light green, mottled. The bright-red flesh is solid and sweet. It is a good shipping melon and the fruit remains in fine condition for a long time. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.



**DELAWARE.** Of oblong shape, the melons are very thick through; the skin is beautifully striped, dark and light green. The flesh is a brilliant red, and ripens within one-half to three-fourths of an inch of the rind; very solid, luscious, and sugary, entirely free from strings, and of most excellent flavor. The rind, while thin, is extremely tough, making it one of the best melons yet introduced, for shipping and keeping. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts.

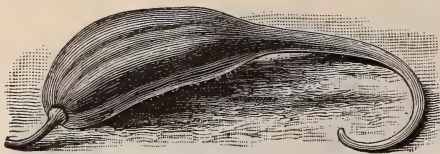


**"KLECKLEY SWEETS."**

Last season we distributed some thousands of trial packets of this Watermelon which had already become celebrated in Alabama. Oblong in shape, of medium dark-green skin, with bright-red flesh, the melons have proved everywhere to be of the very finest flavor,—surpassingly sweet,—reminding one of the old *Mountain Sweet* of thirty years ago. They are also remarkably solid. For *superb quality* we can hardly recommend too highly the new "KLECKLEY SWEETS." Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00.



See also page 67.



A SEED-POD OF MARTYNIA.

## MARTYNIA.

The MARTYNIA, or UNICORN PLANT, is quite ornamental in growth, quickly forming large bushes and bearing handsome Gloxinia-like flowers. When young and tender the seed-pods make excellent pickles, and as they are produced in great abundance, three or four plants will suffice for an ordinary garden.

**Martynia proboscidea.** The best variety for pickles. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 30 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.00; per lb \$3.00.

## English Mushroom Spawn.

It comes in bricks, of about one and a quarter pounds each; these, before planting, are usually divided into a dozen parts and the pieces inserted in the bed eight to ten inches apart each way.

Price per single brick 25 cts., or 5 lbs. for \$1.00, postpaid. By express or freight: 10 lbs. \$1.25; 25 lbs. \$2.75; 50 lbs. \$5.00; 100 lbs. \$9.00. Special price will be quoted on lots more than one hundred pounds.

## Mustard.

**BLACK or BROWN.** Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; lb 40 cts.

**WHITE.** Better for salad or culinary purposes. Per pkt. 5 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 40 cts., postpaid.

**NEW CHINESE (Southern Giant Curled).** Highly esteemed for salads, particularly in the South. The leaves are twice the size of the ordinary White Mustard, flavor sweet and pungent. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

## OKRA, or Gumbo.

This vegetable is too little grown, as its green pods impart a fine flavor and consistency to soups and stews; the pods can also be dried for winter. It is universally used throughout the South, and is as easily raised in the North. So delicious is the flavor that when once used it will be grown every year.

**LADY FINGER.** The plants are uniform in growth, and with their large, Hibiscus-like flowers make a pretty sight. The plants produce long, slender pods of the form shown in the illustration herewith. The pods grow much larger than represented, but if they are used at this size are particularly tender and choice. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

### DWARF PROLIFIC, or DENSITY.

A fine new variety—much dwarfier than the ordinary dwarf Okra, and much more productive; short, thick pods. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**WHITE VELVET OKRA.** The pods are perfectly round, smooth, and of an attractive white velvet appearance; of superior flavor and tenderness. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

## NASTURTIUM.

**Tall Mixed.** Useful and ornamental; flowers of various colors. The green seed-pods are pickled in vinegar. The flowers are used for garnishing. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00.

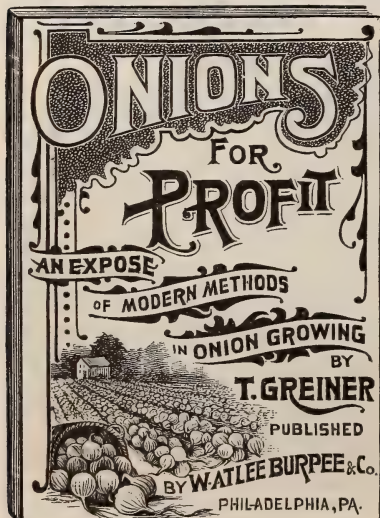
**NASTURTIUMS** of all varieties are useful in furnishing tender seed-pods which make delicious pickles, while they produce some of the most beautiful flowers that can be grown from seed. For complete list see **FLOWER SEEDS, pages 113 to 115.**

NEW LADY FINGER OKRA.

A seedsman may travel all over the world, inspecting the various crops for which he has contracted, but he cannot know that he actually receives the products of the fields he has inspected unless after arrival their truthness to type is proved in his trial grounds. It is only by such tests that he can insure against inferior stocks or wrong varieties. Mistakes should by no means be attributed always to intention to deceive, as they result often from ignorance or carelessness.—*Extract from THE SEEDSMAN'S TRIAL GROUNDS, read by W. ATLEE BURPEE, Chicago, 1893, which is published in full in SELECTION IN SEED GROWING, mentioned on page 3.*

**WE KNOW SEEDS** by means of THE FORDHOOK TRIAL GROUNDS.

We sell only seeds known to be good—**The Best Seeds that Grow!**



## ONIONS FOR PROFIT.

A Full and Complete Hand-Book of Onion Growing.

At last we publish a really complete hand-book on Onion growing. It is by MR. T. GREINER, author of the NEW ONION CULTURE, of which he says:—

“The NEW ONION CULTURE was intended mostly to present a new phase of the business, and to encourage further researches in an entirely new direction. As a ‘Hand-book of Onion Growing’ it has shortcomings and is far from being complete. It leaves too much room for personal inquiries. I have looked the field of horticultural literature in America over pretty closely, and am unable to find a hand-book for the Onion grower the teachings of which are based on modern methods and embody (as they should in order to justify any claims of being ‘up-to-the-times’) the two systems, the old and the new, in profitable combination.”

No Onion grower can afford to be without ONIONS FOR PROFIT; it will show you how to double and treble your profits.

Every reasonable question as to Onion growing is answered in its more than one hundred pages, which contain fully fifty illustrations prepared for this book, making it handsome as well as valuable.

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# BURPEE'S BEST ONION SEED

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**GOOD ONION SEED is of the utmost importance.** Fully realizing this, we make a **Specialty of the BEST Onion Seed.** We have all our crops raised under special contract, subject to careful supervision. Our Onion Seed is grown *only from choice, selected bulbs*, examined critically before being set out for seed. In quality it is vastly superior to much that is put upon the market, often grown by persons either too inexperienced or too careless to select fine, well-shaped bulbs. In vitality it is *very strong*, being *carefully tested*. The very rapid increase in our Onion Seed trade, particularly among market gardeners, many of whom order from twenty-five to one hundred pounds of seed, is the very best evidence that

**BURPEE'S ONION SEED is Unexcelled in Quality.**

Gardeners in the South, as well as in the Eastern, Middle, and Western States, can grow *full-sized onions the first year from the black seed*; for this purpose four to five pounds of seed per acre are required. To raise small sets, fifty or sixty pounds of seed per acre are required, and for this purpose the best varieties are the Yellow Strasburg, Yellow Danvers, Extra Early Red, and Philadelphia Silverskin. **THE CHEAPEST AND BEST METHOD**, however, is to grow the full-sized onions the first year directly from the seed; for this purpose seed of any of the varieties named on the following pages will be found reliable, the local markets being consulted.

**Special LOW PRICES.** The crops of Onion Seed have again been large, and we would call attention to our **Low Prices for 1897.** We do not think seed of equal quality can be bought anywhere for less money. If you are offered **First-Class Seed** at lower prices, kindly send us list of varieties and quantities, when **we will quote Special Prices by letter.**

**A NEW ONION for 1897.** Extra Early **AUSTRALIAN BROWN** is the most important Novelty in Onions that has been introduced in a generation. We predict that it will become as popular as the **AMERICAN YELLOW DANVERS**, and recommend a thorough trial this season. **See page 5.**

## AMERICAN ROUND YELLOW DANVERS ONION.

Reliability for bottoming and large yield are both combined in this popular variety. It is grown extensively for market, and frequently produces six hundred bushels per acre from seed sown in the spring. The genuine Danvers is a very handsome, round onion, thick through, of good size, with thin, yellow skin; flesh white, fine grained, firm, and mild. It ripens early, keeps well, and sells readily. **Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; 2 ozs. 15 cts.; ¼ lb. 25 cts.; per lb. 70 cts., by mail, postpaid.** By express: 60 cts. per lb.; when 5 lbs. of this or other onion seeds are ordered at one time, we sell the **Round Yellow Danvers** at **55 cts. per lb.**

## BEST YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS ONION.

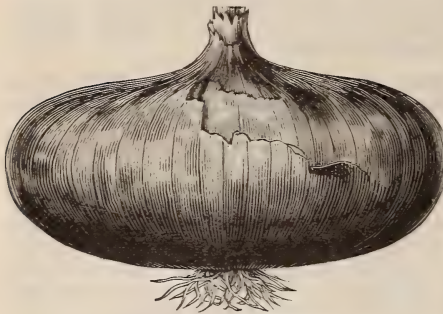
This strain of seed has been selected most carefully, the flatter onions being thrown out. The Yellow Globe Danvers Seed we offer is fully equal to the most famous market-garden strains grown around Boston. The name "GLOBE" in this connection must be taken comparatively, as the **True Danvers Onion** is never so perfectly globe-shaped as the *Southport Yellow Globe*. All the perfectly globe-shaped varieties are later maturing than **THE YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS**. We cannot too strongly recommend our seed of this variety; from careful trials we know it is *unsurpassed* by any strain.

The **YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS** is the most popular and most profitable of all Onions to grow for market. The illustration herewith was engraved accurately from a photograph. **Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; 2 ozs. 15 cts.; ¼ lb. 30 cts.; per lb. 85 cts., postpaid.** By express, **75 cts. per lb.** When 5 lbs. or more of Onion Seed are ordered (not less than one pound of a variety), price **70 cts. per lb.**





**LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD.** Of large size and fine form; skin deep purplish-red; flesh purplish-white; moderately fine-grained and stronger in flavor than the yellow or white onions. Very productive and an excellent keeper. Immense crops of this onion are grown for shipment, and it is one of the very best sorts. **Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb. 30 cts.; per lb. 90 cts., postpaid. By express, 80 cts. per lb. In lots of 5 lbs. or more at 75 cts. per lb.**



EXTRA EARLY RED ONION.

**EXTRA EARLY RED.** This variety matures very early. It yields abundantly and is of mild flavor; of medium size, deep red in color; very close grained, solid, and heavy. This will often form bulbs in cold and mucky soils where other varieties fail. It is recommended particularly for the North and Northwest. **Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb. 30 cts.; per lb. \$1.00, postpaid. By express, 90 cts. per lb.**



STRASBURG, OR YELLOW DUTCH ONION.

**YELLOW STRASBURG, or DUTCH.** One of the oldest varieties; bulbs quite flat, of good size; skin yellow, of darker color than the Danvers; flesh white, of mild flavor; keeps well. This is the variety that is used for growing Philadelphia Yellow Onion Sets. **Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb. 30 cts.; per lb. 85 cts., postpaid. By express, 75 cts. per lb.**



SILVERSKIN, OR WHITE PORTUGAL ONION.

**WHITE SILVERSKIN, or WHITE PORTUGAL.** Very desirable for family use; flavor mild and pleasant; skin silvery-white; of handsome appearance; highly esteemed for pickling when young, also for market in early winter. **Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb. 50 cts.; per lb. \$1.75, postpaid. By express, \$1.65 per lb.; 5 lbs. or more at \$1.60 per lb.**



## True GLOBE-Shaped Onions.

The White and Yellow Globe Onions are deservedly popular. It must be remembered, however, that the true globe-shaped onions are not so early as the flatter varieties.

**WHITE GLOBE ONION.** A large, globe-shaped onion; firm, fine-grained, of mild flavor; keeps well. This is one of the handsomest onions grown, of beautiful shape, clear, white skin, and commands the highest market price. **Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. 30 cts.; ¼ lb. 50 cts.; per lb. \$1.75, postpaid.**

**SOUTHPORT LARGE YELLOW GLOBE.** Like the well-known White Globe Onion, except in color of skin. This is more perfectly globe-shaped than the Globe Danvers, but not so early; an excellent keeper. A heavy cropper, handsome in appearance, and of large size. **Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb. 30 cts.; per lb. 90 cts., postpaid. By express, 80 cts. per lb.**

**LARGE RED GLOBE.** This is like the Yellow Globe, except in color. We recommend, however, either the Red Wethersfield or Extra Early Red as more uniformly trustworthy to make a fine, marketable crop of the best Red Onions. **Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; 2 ozs. 25 cts.; ¼ lb. 30 cts.; per lb. \$1.00, postpaid.**



## THE PRIZE-TAKER ONION.

The AMERICAN-GROWN PRIZE-TAKER ONION grows uniform in shape, of a nearly perfect globe, as shown in the illustration, with thin skin of bright straw-color; it is of immense size, measuring from twelve to eighteen inches in circumference, while under special cultivation specimen bulbs have been raised to weigh from four to five and a half pounds each. It ripens up hard and fine, and presents the handsomest possible appearance; the flesh is pure white, fine grained, mild and delicate in flavor.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 15 cts.; 2 ozs. 25 cts.; per  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40 cts.; per lb. \$1.40, postpaid. By express, not prepaid, per lb. \$1.30; 5 lbs. or more at \$1.25 per lb.

### PHILADELPHIA SILVERSKIN, for growing Sets.

This is practically the same variety as the *White Portugal*, but having been grown for many years in the vicinity of Philadelphia, especially for White Sets, is now particularly desirable for that purpose. It is known in New England as *Philadelphia White*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50 cts.; per lb. \$1.75, postpaid. By express, \$1.65 per lb.

### EXTRA EARLY WHITE PEARL ONION (Bloomsdale Pearl).

Originally this was an early Italian variety (*Silver White Etna*), but it may now be classed under the head of "AMERICAN ONIONS." Of early, quick growth, it is fine for market in summer and autumn. The bulbs are round, flattened, with a delicate, pure white skin; flesh very mild and pleasant in flavor. Highly esteemed by gardeners in the Southern Atlantic States. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50 cts.; per lb. \$1.75, postpaid.

Long-Keeping Extra Early AUSTRALIAN BROWN ONION. See illustration, painted from nature, on last cover page, and description on page 5.



EXTRA EARLY WHITE PEARL ONION.

## ITALIAN ONIONS.

All the Italian Onions are of very sweet, delicate flavor, milder than our American Onions. They grow rapidly from seed. Of great value for family gardens. While much money has been made out of these Italian Onions, grown for market, particularly in the South, yet, as they are not good keepers, we would advise the novice to experiment on a small scale at first, and confine his main market crop to the American Onions. The Italian Onions, however, generally command ready sale at good prices during the summer and autumn.

**NEW EXTRA EARLY BARLETTA ONION (Early Radish).** *The earliest Onion in cultivation.* They are of a pure paper-white color, very mild and delicate in flavor, from one inch to one and a half inches in diameter, and three-fourths of an inch in thickness. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 65 cts.; per lb \$2.25.

**EARLIEST WHITE QUEEN.** The bulbs are small, flat, pure white, and of excellent flavor. Sown in February, they will produce onions one or two inches in diameter in summer. Sown in July, they will be ready late in autumn. Excellent for pickling. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00.

**NEAPOLITAN MAGGIAJOLA, or Italian May Onion.** A large, beautiful, silvery-white-skinned variety, of handsome, flat shape and fine flavor. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.50.

**GIANT WHITE ITALIAN TRIPOLI (El Paso, or Large Mexican).** Of large size and beautiful form, with fine, white skin. The first season from the black seed it will grow an onion of from one to one and a half pounds; but to attain the full size the bulbs should be set out the following spring. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.50, postpaid.

**RED MAMMOTH TRIPOLI, or Bermuda Red.** In shape and size like the Giant White Tripoli. Skin thin and of a rich blood-red color; flesh white. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.40.

**GIANT-ROCCA, OF NAPLES.** A well-known variety, of very mild, delicate flavor, immense size, handsome, globular shape, and light, reddish-brown skin. It is valuable both for autumn and spring sowing. In this immediate vicinity *Giant Rocca Onions* have been grown to weigh one and a half to one and three quarter pounds each, from our seed sown in the spring. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.40.

**GIANT YELLOW ROCCA, or SPANISH KING.** *In place of this variety we recommend as much superior the American PRIZE-TAKER described on preceding page.*

**SILVER BALL, or GIANT WHITE ROCCA.** This splendid Italian Onion is globular in shape, with a beautiful silvery skin; flesh pure white. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75, postpaid.



NEW GIGANTIC GIBRALTAR ONION.

Accurately Engraved from a Photograph, but greatly reduced in size.

## New Onion, "GIBRALTAR."

While similar in appearance to the *American-Grown Prize-Taker*, the **NEW GIGANTIC GIBRALTAR ONION** is lighter in color and of more globular form. In the prize competition of 1895 the *Prize-Taker* retained first place for size, but the **GIBRALTAR** developed such pronounced good qualities, such perfection of form and color, together with uniform large size and fine appearance, that it has our most enthusiastic recommendation. The **GIBRALTAR** is of handsome, globular form, of beautiful light-straw color,—lighter than the *American-Grown Prize-Taker*.

**The First Prize** of \$50.00 was taken by Mr. JOHN A. SLAYMAKER, of Atkinson, Neb., with a splendid globe-shaped specimen weighing  $4\frac{1}{2}$  pounds, or 72 ounces. The **Second Prize** of \$25.00 was won by Messrs. JOHN GRAPE & Co., market gardeners, Waukesha, Wis., with a perfectly globular onion weighing **48 ounces**. We regret that the crop of seed is, again *very short*, and we can offer it only in packets.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



## BURPEE'S MAMMOTH SILVER KING ONION.

The Mammoth Silver King Onion, named and introduced by us in 1881, grows to a most remarkable size. The bulbs are of attractive form, flattened, but thick through. The average diameter of the onions is from 5 to  $7\frac{1}{2}$  inches—thus making the circumference from 15 to 22 inches.

Single bulbs often attain weights of from  $2\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 pounds each. The skin is a beautiful silvery white; the flesh is snowy-white and of a particularly mild and pleasant flavor.

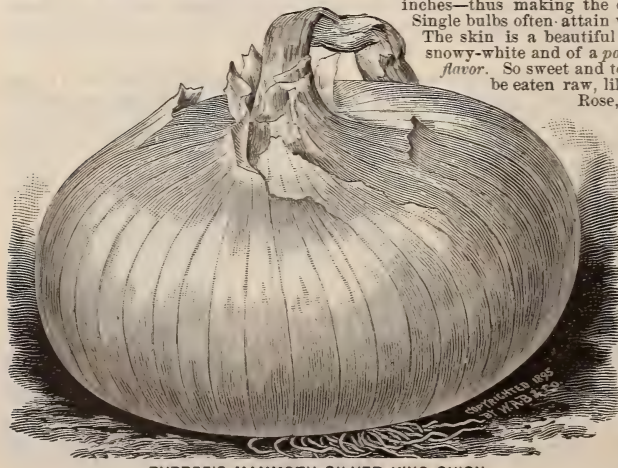
So sweet and tender is the flesh that it can be eaten raw, like an apple. In 1886 Alfred

Rose, Penn Yan, N. Y., won the first prize with two onions of the enormous weight of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. and **4 lbs. 2 ozs.** Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; 2 ozs. 40 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; lb \$2.50, postpaid.

## MAMMOTH POMPEII.

In 1887 our first prize was won by Mr. I. B. Taylor, Ellensburg, Washington, with an onion weighing **4 lbs. 9 ozs.** The skin is thin and of a handsome, reddish-brown color; the flesh is pure white, fine grained, and mild. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. 35 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

THE NEW ONION CULTURE  
is explained fully in  
**ONIONS FOR PROFIT,**  
advertised on page 54.



BURPEE'S MAMMOTH SILVER KING ONION.

# New Mammoth VICTORIA ONIONS.

This new race of Onions, from the island of Sardinia, was introduced by us eight years ago. We offer **American-Grown Seed**, which is far superior to the Italian-grown generally sold.

## WHITE VICTORIA.

This is identically the same as the *Red Victoria*, illustrated herewith, except that both skin and flesh are *pure white*. It is a very handsome globe-shaped onion, solid, and of sweet, mild flavor. Mr. A. I. Root, of Ohio, editor of *Gleanings in Bee Culture*, writes:—

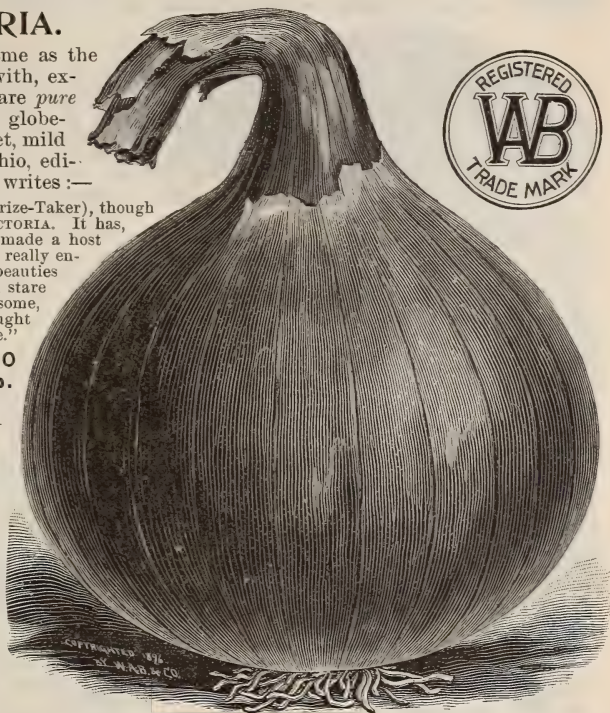
“A handsomer onion (than the Prize-Taker), though not quite so large, is the **WHITE VICTORIA**. It has, during the past spring and summer, made a host of friends in our vicinity, and it was really enjoyable to take a lot of these white beauties into almost any crowd, and see them stare and wonder to behold such large, handsome, white onions, long before anybody thought of it being time for onions of such size.”

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 50 cts.; per lb. \$1.75, postpaid.

## RED VICTORIA.

Of handsome globe shape, sometimes weighing from one and a half to three pounds each, under good cultivation, the first year from seed. Skin very dark, almost *blood-red* in color; flesh white or very light rose-colored; flavor mild and sweet.

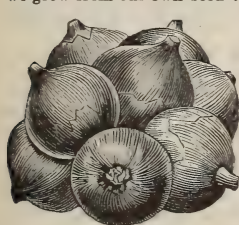
Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40 cts.; per lb. \$1.35, postpaid. By express, \$1.25 per lb.



MAMMOTH RED VICTORIA ONION.—Engraved from a Photograph.

## ONION SETS AND BULBS.

By far the cheapest method of growing Onions is from the *black seed*. The expense in raising from sets is much greater, but still many persons annually want sets, and we grow from our own seed the choicest White and Yellow Onion Sets. We frequently have calls for Red Wethersfield Onion Sets, and for sets of Italian Onions. *These we cannot supply*, as we only use White Silverskin, Yellow Danvers, and Yellow Dutch Seed to grow sets. The Red Wethersfield Onion, while producing large bulbs from seed, does not produce good small sets, and the Italian Onions grow most rapidly from the seed. The Potato,



POTATO ONIONS.

Egyptian, and Multiplier Onions do not produce seed. The prices quoted below are by *mail, postpaid*, and we can sell *cheaper by the peck or bushel*. See page 81.

**YELLOW ONION SETS.** Grown from seed of the Philadelphia *White Silverskin* seed. Pint 20 cts.; quart 35 cts.

**WHITE ONION SETS.** Per pint 20 cts.; quart 35 cts.

**POTATO ONION.** Valuable for an early crop. The small bulbs increase in size and the parent bulb produces a quantity of small bulbs in a cluster; of mild, sweet flavor. Pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**EGYPTIAN, or PERENNIAL TREE ONION.** This is an entirely distinct type of Onion. When once set out, without having the slightest winter protection, it will come up year after year as soon as the frost breaks ground, and will grow very rapidly. The bottoms divide, making several irregular-shaped onions, which are sweet and tender. The young sets grow on top of the stalks, like Tree Onions, and can be planted in the fall. Per pint 30 cts.; quart 50 cts., postpaid.

## WHITE MULTIPLIER ONION SETS.

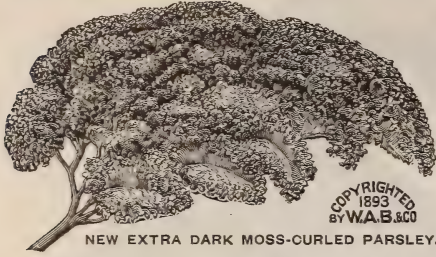
This valuable variety is enormously productive, frequently producing as many as twenty bulbs in a cluster from a single bulb planted. The color is pure, silvery-white. The quality is excellent and the size just right for bunching green; while if ripened for use as pickling onions it can be grown very economically. When ripened, their keeping qualities are remarkable, having been known to keep perfectly sound for one year. Perhaps their most profitable quality is extreme earliness, being ready for market three or four weeks ahead of any other Onion Sets. It is aptly said of them that “the grass and weeds cannot grow fast enough to cover them.” The largest of the sets, if allowed to grow through the summer, makes an onion of fair size, which divides when ripening. Per pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.



WHITE MULTIPLIER ONION SETS.

## PARSLEY.

Our prices include cost of postage; if ordered by express deduct TEN CENTS per pound from prices quoted.



NEW EXTRA DARK MOSS-CURLED PARSLEY.

### Extra Dark Moss-Curled Parsley.

This is very handsome and ornamental in growth, far more so than many plants which are grown in our flower gardens for decorative purposes. The leaves are of a peculiar, extra dark-green color. It is very productive, and from the densely curled character of its leaves a quantity for green seasoning or garnishing can be gathered in less time than with the more open-leaved varieties. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

### EXTRA CURLED DWARF, or Emerald Parsley.

This is a most beautiful and valuable variety. The moss-like leaves, of a handsome bright-green color, are finely crimped and curled. For garnishing, no variety is more attractive. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

**PLAIN, or SINGLE.** Plain leaves, excellent flavor. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

**FINE DOUBLE CURLED.** Fine, dwarf, crimped leaves. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 55 cts.

**FERN-LEAVED.** This is a greatly improved type of this useful class of herb. It is most exquisite in form and color—invaluable as a garnishing plant, and suited for mixing with dwarf ornamental-foliage plants in the flower garden, and also for table decoration. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts.

**TURNIP-ROOTED, or HAMBURG.** The edible portion is the fleshy root, which resembles a small parsnip, and is highly esteemed for flavoring soups, stews, etc. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

## PARSNIPS.

Our prices include cost of postage; if ordered by express deduct TEN CENTS per pound from prices quoted.

Parsnips are well known as a delicious table vegetable, but their value for the purpose of feeding cows and cattle is but little appreciated. The parsnip is rich in saccharine food, which adds greatly to the richness of the milk when fed to cows, while the fresh, succulent roots increase the flow of milk as greatly as does the use of fresh green food in the spring. The parsnip is especially valuable for the purpose from its extreme hardiness, as the roots can be left in the ground all winter and will improve in quality by the continued freezing.

### IMPROVED GUERNSEY (Improved Half Long),

A greatly improved and wonderfully fine strain of Guernsey Parsnip, of which our customers are unanimous in praising the fine quality. The roots do not grow so long as the Hollow Crown, but are of greater diameter and more easily gathered. It is a very heavy cropper. The roots are very smooth, the flesh is fine-grained and of most excellent quality. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

### LONG SMOOTH, or HOLLOW CROWN (Abbott's Improved Long Sugar, or Long White Dutch Parsnip).

A great cropper, tender, sugary, and considered the best for general cultivation. Parsnips are improved by remaining exposed to frost. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

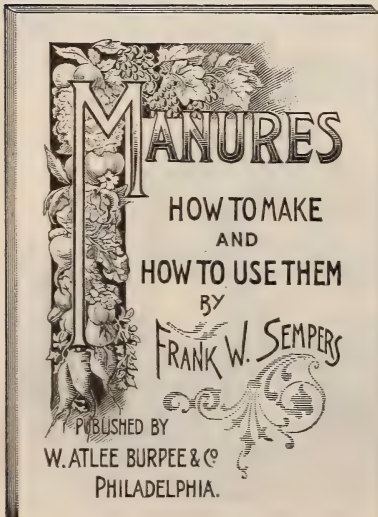
**EARLY SHORT ROUND FRENCH.** The earliest, of good quality, small size. Valuable for bunching with pot-herbs. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 65 cts.



IMPROVED GUERNSEY PARSNIP.

# MANURES: HOW TO MAKE AND HOW TO USE THEM

A Practical Treatise on the Chemistry of Manures and Manure Making.



We want to place a copy of this excellent new book in the hands of every farmer in America. It is a book for which farmers have waited for years, telling them what they want to know about manures and the management of land in a way that can be clearly understood. It is in every sense a farmer's book, written for the men who plow and sow and reap. The farmer's business is to grow profitable crops without impairment to his soil. This book tells in a plain way how to do it. 218 pages. Illustrated.

Bound in thick paper. Reduced price, 40 cts.

## INJURIOUS INSECTS and the Use of INSECTICIDES.

A complete and convenient treatise on insects destructive to Fruit, Field, and Garden crops. Contains the latest and best methods for preventing insect injuries and gives reliable formulas for making insecticides. Plainly written for the million, and filled with life-like illustrations which will greatly aid the farmer in identifying his insect foes. 216 pages. Fully illustrated. Reduced Price, 40 cts.



# Northern Grown SEED PEAS.

Our Seed Peas are of the very best quality. They are raised from choice selected stocks. Prices below are for Peas, **postpaid, by mail.** See **BULK PRICE LIST**, page 81.



**"BURPEE'S BEST,"** so named and introduced by us in 1889, has proved to be the **earliest Pea on record.** Like all fine strains of extra early peas to which various names have been given, such as *First and Best, Eureka Extra Early, Earliest of All, Morning Star, First in Market, Lightning, First Crop,* etc., it has been developed by careful selection from the old *Philadelphia Extra Early.* We test annually all strains of Extra Early Peas at **FORDHOOK FARM,** and have never found any earlier and but few so early as **BURPEE'S BEST EXTRA EARLY.**

In testimonials from gardeners published last season we quote: "*Ten days earlier than Philadelphia Extra Early.*"—"The finest early peas I ever raised!"—"Just think of peas fit for the table in *thirty-seven days* from planting!"—"It stands cold and produces abundantly,—picked pods in just *thirty-four days* from planting. It excels all others."

**BURPEE'S BEST EXTRA EARLY.** One of the most prolific of the very early varieties, with a large, well-filled pod. It is of medium size in vine and gives great satisfaction.—*From Annual Report of THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.*

Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

## Other Extra Early Peas.

**BURPEE'S EXTRA EARLY.** Next to "**Burpee's Best,**" this excels in *extra earliness and productiveness.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

**IMPROVED DAN. O'ROURKE (Philadelphia Extra Early).** Fully equal to *The Rural New Yorker Pea.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

**LAXTON'S EARLIEST OF ALL** (also called *Alaska, Blue Express, and Earliest of All*). Small, round peas, like the preceding, but of a *blue* color and richer flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

**TOM THUMB.** A very dwarf-growing, extra early, smooth, round, white pea. Per pkt. 10 cts.; quart 50 cts.

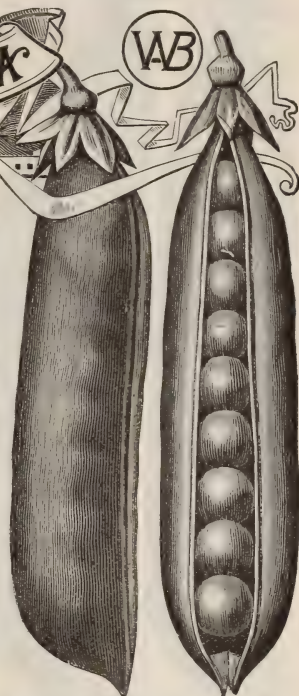
**AMERICAN WONDER.** This distinct and fine-flavored variety grows only eight to ten inches high, and is *extremely early.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts.

**McLEAN'S LITTLE GEM.** *Truly a gem! Productive, wrinkled, and of delicious flavor.* Matures in fifty-four days; no sticks required. Per pkt. 10 cts.; quart 40 cts.

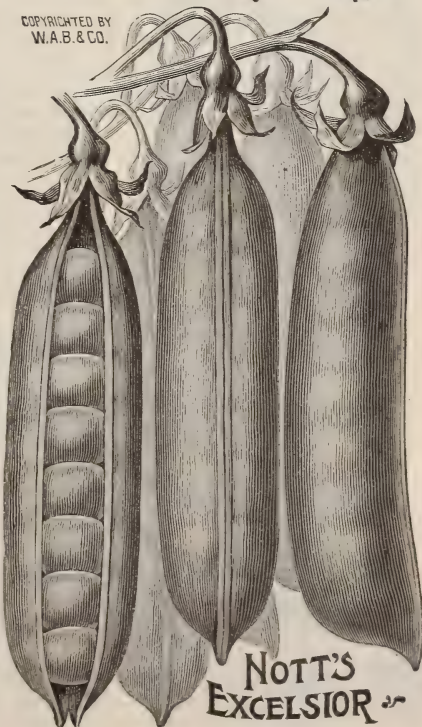
**EXTRA EARLY PREMIUM GEM.** A very fine Dwarf Pea, of the Little Gem type, on which it is an improvement; larger pods and more productive. *Highly recommended.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts.

**NEW PEA,—WILLIAM HURST.** The peas were ready for the table June 28th, as early as the *American Wonder,* while the vines were *much more productive,* and it comes very near to being a "one-picking variety." Of handsome dwarf growth, the vines are eight to ten inches high, foliage of dark-green color, haulms close jointed, and very prolific. The pods are well filled with large peas, each containing six to eight, so closely packed that the peas are flattened against each other. Quality the *very best.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; per quart 45 cts.

**NOTT'S EXCELSIOR PEA.** This is a *very fine, new, extra early dwarf wrinkled Pea,* foliage dark green and rather heavy, haulm close jointed; the pods average fully one-third larger than the *American Wonder,* and while it may not always be quite so early, by a few days, are all ready for picking at one time. Each pod contains six to eight large peas, which are of *unusually sweet* flavor; so closely are the peas packed in the pods that they are flattened against each other, as are the Potato Limas. *We cannot recommend Nott's Excelsior too highly.* The pods are of the exact size and form as shown in the illustration, engraved from a photograph. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.



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**NOTT'S  
EXCELSIOR**

## BURPEE'S PROFUSION PEA.

Of vigorous growth, the haulm attaining three feet in height, and of a very branching character—four to eight laterals starting from the root. The haulm is very stout, the main stem usually branching at the first three to five nodes above the ground. The pods are produced generally in pairs, from fifty to ninety pods to the plant. The natural-sized pods are represented by the engraving herewith; they are well packed with large, luscious peas, of very sweet and of splendid quality.



The peas are of very large size, often one-half inch in diameter when green, and are packed closely together in the pods, five to nine in a pod. The plants are continuous bearers, extending over a period of several weeks. Planted May 2d, the peas were ready for the table July 9th. Its immense productiveness, stout, healthy growth, and fine quantity must make it a leading variety for main crop.

Price per package 15 cts.; per pint 30 cts.; per quart 50 cts., postpaid. For prices by express, see page 81.

## Experimental Station Reports.

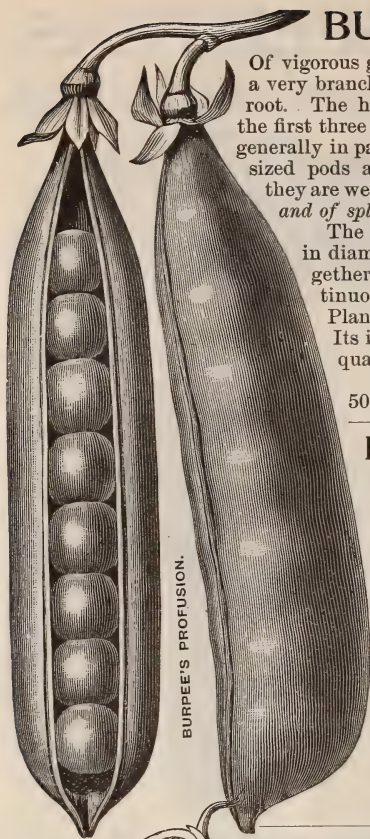
THE PROFUSION PEA deserves to be mentioned as the paragon of excellence for a main-crop pea.—From the *Eighth Annual Report of THE COLORADO EXPERIMENTAL STATION.*

BURPEE'S PROFUSION.—Planted May 8th; shipped July 11th, 17th, 22d. Good for general crop; very productive; a vigorous dwarf.

BURPEE'S QUALITY.—Planted May 8th; shipped July 11th, 17th, 22d. This has good quality. Somewhat more productive than Burpee's Quality and a stronger grower; a vigorous dwarf.—All three from Bulletin No. 69 of NEW YORK AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

RENOUN.—A very late pea of great merit; the vine is medium size, bearing an excellent crop of pods, which are uniformly very large, with an average of seven peas each.

QUANTITY.—Rather a late pea, thirty inches tall, with a narrow cylindrical pod well filled with peas. The yield is a profitable one.—Both of these are from *Annual Report, 1895, of THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.*



## ECKFORD'S NEW PEAS. HENRY ECKFORD, of England, is well

known to lovers of Sweet Peas throughout the world, but many are not aware that this celebrated hybridizer also devotes attention to Garden Peas. We take pleasure in recommending two of his most famous Garden Peas, as described below:—

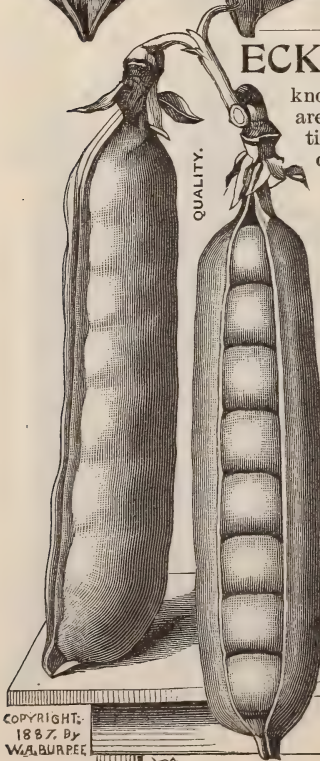
**RENOUN.** A green, wrinkled marrow, of robust growth; a very fine main-crop variety, producing, abundantly, deep-green, square, well-filled pods; flavor first-rate.

**The ECHO.** First-class certificate by the R. H. S. A most prolific dwarf wrinkled marrow, coming in ten days before Renoun, of very superior quality. Height two feet.

We offer first-class Seed Peas of both **RENOUN** and **The ECHO**, each at the following prices: Per package 10 cts., or 3 packages for 25 cts.; per pint 25 cts.; per quart 45 cts., or one quart of each for 80 cts., postpaid.

## BURPEE'S QUALITY PEA.

Planted May 2d, the peas were ready June 28th, about a week earlier than *Burpee's Quality*. The plants average two and a half feet high, of robust growth, with fine, dark-green foliage, branching from the first three to five nodes above the surface of the ground. Each plant bears from forty to seventy-five pods. The pods are produced in pairs, are three inches long, and contain six to eight peas each. While not so immensely productive as *Burpee's Quality*, nevertheless in our trial grounds **BURPEE'S QUALITY** outyielded such popular sorts as *Bliss's Everbearing*, *American Champion*, and *Telephone*, while its quality is unequalled. The peas are of very fine flavor, being peculiarly sweet and sugary; in fact, it is pronounced the sweetest and most exquisite in flavor of all peas. In *Quantity* abundant; in *Quality* it is the most luscious of all. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.



# BURPEE'S QUANTITY PEA.

## BURPEE'S QUANTITY

produces more pods to the vine, and more shelled peas to a bushel of pods, than any other variety, excepting only our BURPEE'S PROFUSION. The vine grows two and a half to two and three-quarters feet in height, and is of very stout growth crowded with pods, borne generally in pairs.

Under ordinary field culture they averaged fifty pods each, while we have counted as many as ninety pods on a single vine. The pods are three inches long and contain seven to nine large peas, so closely crowded together that they are flattened on the sides; the quality is very good.

The illustration herewith is exactly natural size, and it will be seen how well filled are the compact, handsome pods.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**HEROINE.** This is a medium Early Wrinkled Pea of robust growth, uniformly about two and a half feet high; fine for the home garden. It produces abundantly long, pointed, well-filled pods, which contain from eight to nine fine large peas. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts.

**SHROPSHIRE HERO.** A very handsome Wrinkled Pea, uniformly growing about two and a half feet high; second early; it is very prolific, with long, square, well-filled pods. It is a fine acquisition; well adapted for market gardeners; the large, richly flavored peas will also make it a decided favorite in family gardens. Pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**IMPROVED STRATAGEM.** The pods are of immense size and uniformly filled with very large dark-green peas of the finest quality. All the good qualities of the old stratagem are highly developed, and it is superior to the stock now generally sold as Stratagem. Vine medium height, but very stocky, with very broad, light-green leaves, and bearing an abundance of large, handsome pods. One of the very best varieties for market gardeners. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**PRIDE OF THE MARKET.** This famous Pea grows from eighteen inches to two feet high, and bears grand pods, well filled with large and finely-flavored peas from top to bottom of the haulm. Its robust constitution, enormous productiveness, and superior appearance insure its acceptance as a market favorite. The stock is not quite true from seed. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.

**TELEPHONE.** Of excellent sugary flavor; vines very strong; the pods are of large size, with six or seven large, delicious peas; height four feet. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

**CHAMPION OF ENGLAND.** Undoubtedly one of the best Peas grown, and very popular. It is very productive, and the peas are of a delicious flavor; height four to five feet. Per pkt. 10 cts.; quart 35 cts., postpaid.

**YORKSHIRE HERO.** Long, round pods, closely filled with large, luscious, wrinkled peas; very productive. Well worthy of general cultivation; of similar type to the well-known *Champion of England*; while in many sections it is a better and more productive Pea. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

**LAXTON'S EVOLUTION PEA.** See illustration. The vines are of strong, sturdy growth, three to three and a half feet high, of a decidedly branching character, and bear continuously an abundant crop of magnificent large pods, each containing eight to twelve wrinkled peas, of remarkable size and very rich and sugary flavor. It has been appropriately termed "**The Everlasting Bearer**," as from a single sowing it continues to bear as long as three months. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 30 cts.; quart 50 cts.

**BLISS'S EVERBEARING.** Height of vine, two feet; pods three to four inches long; peas very large; quality very fine. Its growth is of a branching character. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid.

**BLISS'S ABUNDANCE.** Plant eighteen inches high; foliage large, thick, and dark green. Pods three to three and a half inches long, round, and well filled. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 40 cts.

**HORSFORD'S MARKET GARDEN.** This we consider identical with Bliss's Abundance. Prices the same.

**DWARF BLUE IMPERIAL.** A good summer pea; prolific and of fine flavor; height two and a half feet. Pkt. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; quart 35 cts.

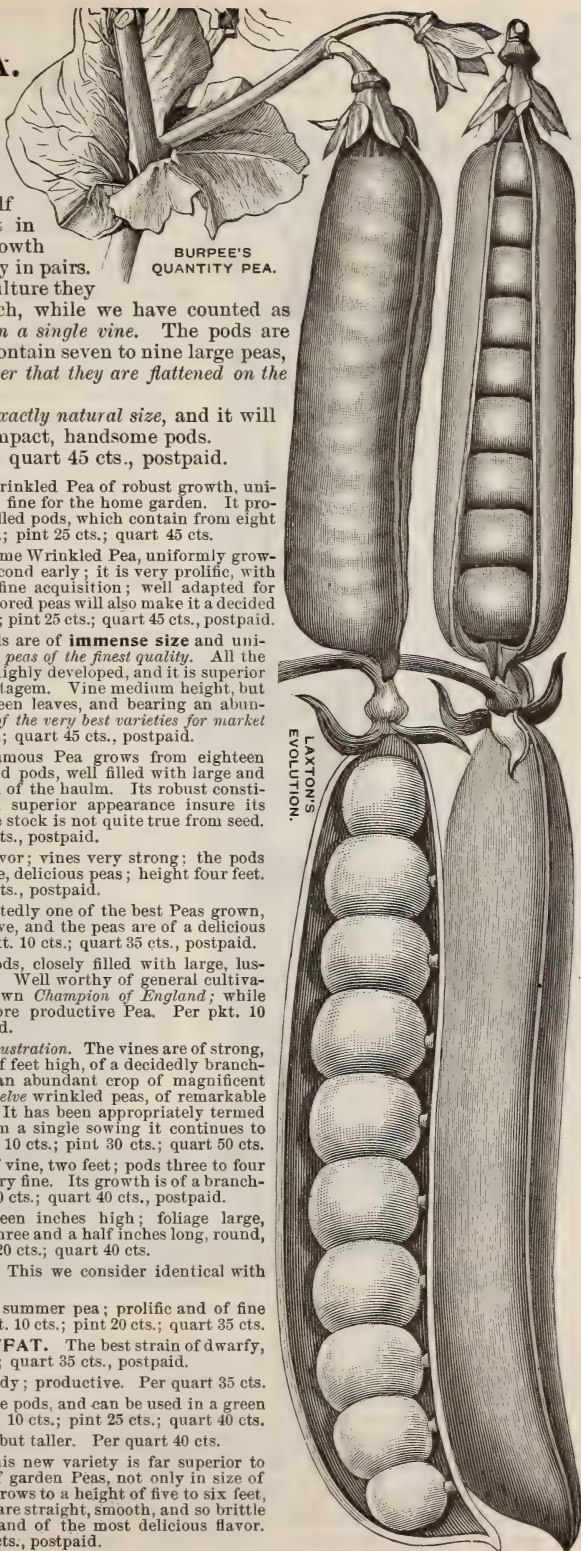
**ROYAL DWARF WHITE MARROWFAT.** The best strain of dwarfy, white marrowfat pea. Per pint 20 cts.; quart 35 cts., postpaid.

**BLACK-EYED MARROWFAT.** Hardy; productive. Per quart 35 cts.

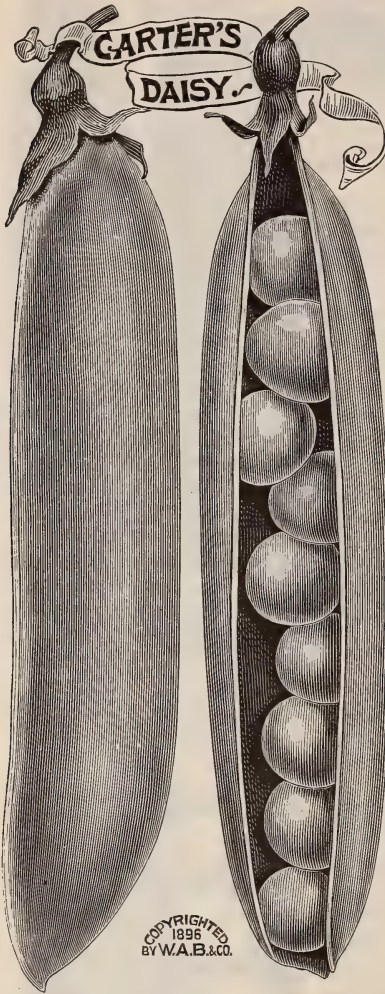
**DWARF SUGAR.** Gray-seeded. Edible pods, and can be used in a green state like string beans; two feet. Pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts.

**TALL SUGAR.** Similar to preceding, but taller. Per quart 40 cts.

**MAMMOTH MELTING SUGAR.** This new variety is far superior to all others of the edible-podded class of garden Peas, not only in size of pod, but also in delicious quality. It grows to a height of five to six feet, and is wonderfully prolific. The pods are straight, smooth, and so brittle that they snap; without any string, and of the most delicious flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid.



## New Second-Early Pea,—Carter's "DAISY."



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**HISTORY.**—This magnificent new Pea was introduced in England, by MESSRS. JAMES CARTER & Co., in 1892, at the price of 7s. 6d. per package of four ounces. Four or five years previously we had seen it growing at Forest Hill, London, and the late Mr. E. H. SHARMAN, hearing our expression of admiration, said, "a fellow-countryman of yours pronounced that pea 'a Daisy,' and when ready for introduction we propose to call it **Carter's DAISY Pea.**" So great has been the demand in England, that not until crop of 1895 were we able to buy the seed in quantity for our own planting and, therefore, are able only now to offer American-grown seed for the first time, but "a good thing is worth waiting for."

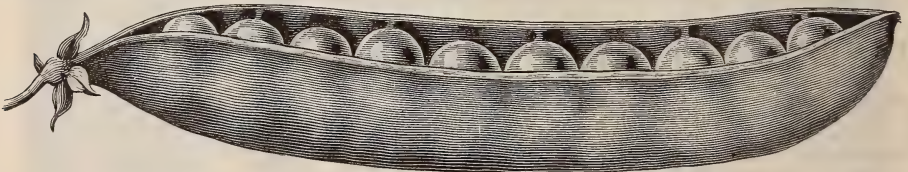
**THE DAISY** is a second-early of robust but remarkably even growth. The vines are from sixteen to eighteen inches high, needing no brush. The self-supporting stout plants are fairly loaded with large bright-green pods, which are always *well-filled*. Each pod contains seven to nine large peas, of a light bright-green color, tender and well-flavored. The illustration herewith was engraved, *natural size*, from a photograph taken at FORDHOOK FARM, in July, 1896, where the unique, even growth and handsome appearance of rows of **The "DAISY"** excited the delighted admiration of all visitors to our extensive trials of garden peas.

The late MR. SHIRLEY HIBBERD wrote: "**The DAISY is so productive that, as we saw the square piece, it might be described as 'all peas,' as though the well-filled bright-green pods had been heaped up in ridges.**" The peas are in good condition for the table in three months from time of planting. We are sure that all who have this grand new Pea in the garden, this season, will unite in using the American expression, "**It is a DAISY!**"

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; one-half pint 35 cts.; per pint 60 cts.; per quart \$1.00, postpaid, by mail. By express, 85 cts. per quart.

**CAUTION.** Imported seed of **THE DAISY PEA** was offered by two well-known American seed firms last year. In our Trial Grounds one of these stocks proved to be entirely false—of straggling growth, nearly three feet high and bearing no resemblance to **the true Carter's DAISY Pea.** The stock which we offer is exclusively of our own growth, and is **absolutely true** as described above. The supply is necessarily limited, and, as we must reserve sufficient seed for our own planting, **we reserve the right to refuse orders for quarts** (returning the money) when our stock becomes so reduced that we can continue to sell only by the packet and half pint.

W. ATLEE BURPEE & Co.



A POD OF THE DUKE OF ALBANY PEA. Engraved from Nature, Natural Size.

**New Pea,—DUKE OF ALBANY.** Prior to recommending this new Pea in 1893, we had distributed six thousand packets for trial, upon each of which were printed the following remarks:—

Our attention was first called to the **Duke of Albany Pea** growing in Germany, where it was remarkably hardy and vigorous in constitution, producing pods of good size, well filled with luscious, large peas. It was of hardy, vigorous growth, and was a remarkable cropper. We think it will prove a valuable main-crop pea,—more prolific than the *Champion of England*, and at least equal in flavor.

So far as heard from, the **Duke of Albany Pea** has given excellent satisfaction in every case, and we could publish many testimonials from our customers as to its decided merits.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint 25 cts.; quart 40 cts., postpaid. See Bulk Prices, page 81.

# PEPPERS.



CREOLE,  
OR  
BIRD'S EYE.



TABASCO.

The hot, pungent flavor of a pepper is in inverse ratio to its size, the small peppers being the hottest, while the large varieties are quite mild in flavor. Every vegetable garden should have several varieties, while some are sufficiently beautiful to include in the flower garden.

**TABASCO PEPPER.** The Tabasco Sauce has a national reputation for flavoring soup, oysters, meat, etc. The plants develop into large bushes bearing profusely the little bright red peppers in sprays. A mature pepper measures about one inch in length. These peppers are *extremely hot and fiery in flavor.* Originally from Mexico, the variety has for years been grown in New Iberia Parish, Louisiana, and has made a fortune for the proprietor of *The Tabasco Sauce.* Per pkt. 10 cts.

**BIRD'S EYE, or CREOLE.** No peppers are hotter or more fiery in flavor than these little "BIRD'S EYES" or CREOLE PEPPERS, as they are called in the South. They can be used either fresh or dried; the whole plant can be hung up to dry in any out-house and the peppers removed as wanted. Each plant bears *hundreds of peppers.* Per pkt. 10 cts.

	Per oz.	¼ lb.	Per lb.
Improved Large Bell, or Bull-Nose. Large, mild; glossy-red, . . .	\$0 25	\$0 75	\$2 25
Sweet Mountain, or Mammoth. Very similar to Bull-Nose, . . . . .	25	75	2 25
Spanish Monstrous. Very large, thick-fleshed; red; mild, . . . . .	25	75	2 25
Long Red Cayenne. The true Cayenne; hot and pungent, . . . . .	25	75	2 25
True Red Chili. Small, bright-red peppers; very hot, . . . . .	25	75	2 25
Dwarf Early Red Squash. Thick-fleshed; early; of mild flavor, . . .	25	75	2 25
Golden Dawn. Golden-yellow peppers; mild and sweet, . . . . .	25	75	2 25
Celestial. Small fruits; creamy-yellow; scarlet when ripe, . . . . .	25	75	2 50
Kaleidoscope. Of changing colors,—cream, yellow, rose, and scarlet, .	25	75	2 50
Cardinal. Long, sweet, thick-fleshed; bright red, . . . . .	25	75	2 50
Golden Queen. Very large, mild peppers; of rich golden-yellow, . . .	25	75	2 50
Procopp's Giant. Long, thick-fleshed scarlet peppers of mammoth size,	30	85	
Fancy Scarlet Wrinkled. Small peppers; Turk's-cap shaped, . . . . .	30	85	
Fancy Orange Wrinkled. Of rich, deep orange; clear, sharp flavor, .	30	85	
New Fancy Wrinkled, Mixed. Of three bright colors; very beautiful,	30	85	

Each of the above 5 cts. per pkt., except the last four, which are 10 cts. per pkt.



RUBY KING PEPPER. One-fourth Natural Size.



BURPEE'S GOLDEN UPRIGHT PEPPER.

**BURPEE'S RUBY KING.** This magnificent variety is the best mild red pepper for market or family use. The large, handsome fruits, of a bright ruby-red color, grow four and a half to six inches long by three and a half to four and a quarter inches through. Added to their beautiful color, when ripe, is the great desideratum that they are *remarkably mild and pleasant to the taste*; most excellent for stuffing or for pepper-hash. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.25.



**BURPEE'S GOLDEN UPRIGHT.** First introduced in 1887. *The peppers grow upright on stiff stems.* The fruits are large and handsome, *fully double the size of Golden Dawn,* and of a beautiful, rich golden-yellow, tinged with bluish-red where exposed to the sun. The peppers are as mild and pleasant to the taste as *Ruby King*, even the seeds being free from all fiery flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.



## PEPPERS,—Continued.



NEW PEPPER.—ELEPHANT'S TRUNK.

**ELEPHANT'S TRUNK.** The large peppers are distinct in shape and quite suggestive of their name, as can be seen from the illustration. The unusually large, glossy scarlet fruits measure from eight to twelve inches in length by two and a half inches in breadth; of mild, pleasant flavor. Productive, ornamental, and useful. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**RED ETNA.** Extremely ornamental in growth, the rich, dark scarlet of the ripe fruits contrasting with the lively light-green foliage. The peppers are always borne erect and are conical in shape, becoming "squared" on the top as they mature. The peppers are of sweet, mild flavor, and convenient size, about three inches long by one and a half inches thick. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.

**GOLDEN KING.** GOLDEN KING was first found in 1886 in a crop of RUBY KING. The beautiful, healthy plants bear large, handsome fruits, of a most attractive, bright golden-yellow, which shine out of the rich, dark-green foliage. The flavor is unsurpassed by any, exquisitely mild and pleasant. Read about *Ruby King*, change the color of Ruby King to bright golden-yellow, and you have GOLDEN KING. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.

**BLACK NUBIAN.** The peppers are of a deep blue-black, appearing nearly coal-black, while the stalks of the plants are also black, bearing deep-purple flowers.

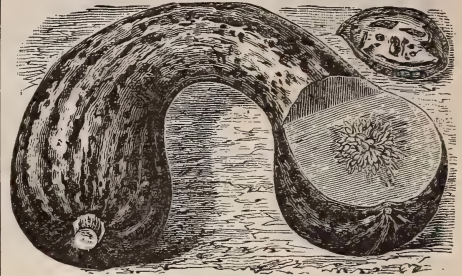
The peppers are never green, but from the time they are first formed until full size are always of the same intensely deep coal-black color, and afterward, as they ripen, turn to a rich maroon. So novel a plant attracts universal attention; the peppers are superior for pickling; when ripe, sharp and pungent. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.

**RED CLUSTER.** The plants are so ornamental as to deserve a prominent position in the flower garden. The small, thin peppers, of a most conspicuous coral-red color, are curiously crowded together in bunches at the top of each branch. A single plant will bear hundreds of the handsome little peppers, which are very hot and pungent in flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 30 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 85 cts.; per lb \$3.00, postpaid.

**CORAL GEM BOUQUET.** Hundreds of the small, bright-red peppers are so thickly set on the dwarf plants as to give each plant the appearance of a "*Bouquet of Corals*." The peppers are intensely hot and piquant. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; oz. 50 cts.

## PUMPKIN.

Our prices are for seed, postpaid, by mail. If ordered by express, deduct TEN CENTS PER POUND from prices quoted.



JAPANESE PUMPKIN.

**JAPANESE.** Extremely small seed cavity—all the balance being solid meat throughout. The seeds are curiously sculptured in the manner of Chinese letters. Very productive, ripen early, good keepers, and weigh fifteen to twenty pounds each. An enthusiastic grower says: "The flesh is a rich salmon color, unusually fine-grained, and when cooked or stewed is almost as dry and mealy as a sweet potato. For making pies, custards, etc., they certainly have no equal." Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.10.

**BURPEE'S QUAKER PIE.** This is of a peculiar shape, being unlike any other; it is oval and tapers toward each end. It is of a creamy color both inside and out. The vines are very hardy and prolific. It is early and keeps late. Its chief value is for "*Pumpkin Pies*." Being fine-grained and rich-flavored, it makes a superior quality of pies. By being stored in a warm, dry place, the pumpkins can be preserved until late in winter. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.

**SMALL SUGAR.** This is very handsome and prolific, of small size, the pumpkins averaging about ten inches in diameter; the skin is a deep orange-yellow. It is fine-grained, sweet, and an excellent keeper. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

**GOLDEN MARROW.** One of the best yellow pie pumpkins. They are round-oblong in shape, and very slightly ribbed; the skin of a rich, golden-orange color, very beautiful; flesh of extra fine flavor; cooks soft and tender. It is a splendid keeper. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**CUSHAW, or CROOKNECK.** Very productive and of good size; color light cream, sometimes lightly striped. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 70 cts., postpaid.

**LARGE CHEESE (Kentucky Field).** Shape flat, like a cheese; hardy and productive. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

**LARGE COMMON FIELD.** The common large yellow field pumpkin for growing in corn fields; good for stock. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 40 cts.

**CALHOUN.** The outside skin is of a dark cream color; within, the flesh is a deep salmon-yellow—fine-grained and remarkably thick, the seed cavity being very small. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**JONATHAN.** A large, bottle-shaped variety, with a crookneck, an excellent keeper, fine, sweet flavor. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts.

**TENNESSEE SWEET POTATO.** Of medium size, pear-shaped, color creamy-white, lightly striped with green; flesh thick, creamy-white, fine-grained, dry. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 70 cts.

**BANANA PUMPKIN.** Also called *Custard Squash*. The average size is eighteen inches in length by seven to eight inches in thickness. The flesh is of a light straw color, fine-grained and of a particularly choice quality for pies. Of extra good quality for autumn. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25.

**IMPROVED DUNKARD.** Crop a total failure.

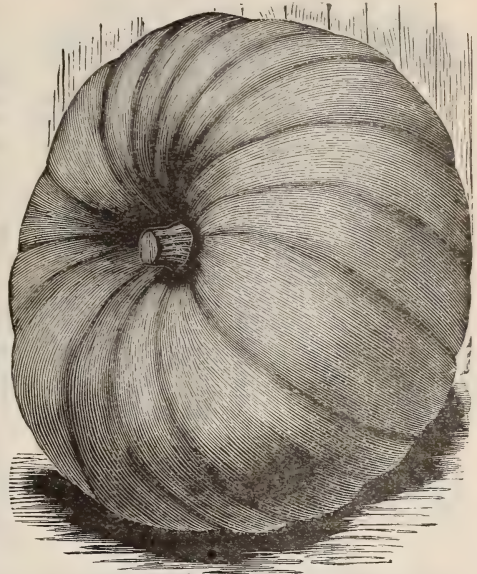
**VEGETABLES FOR THE HOME GARDEN.** Everyone who grows vegetables either for the home garden or market should have this valuable little book. See page 4.

**THE ORIGINAL GENUINE  
MAMMOTH PUMPKIN.**

GENUINE MAMMOTH, or TRUE POTIRON (also called KING OF THE MAMMOTHS, Large Yellow Mammoth, Mammoth \$50.00 Pumpkin, and Jumbo Pumpkin). The pride taken in growing the largest pumpkin, and the great demand for the seed, explains the multitude of names which this, the **Genuine Mammoth Pumpkin** (which we have always sold under its original name), has received.

It grows to an enormous size, three feet or more in diameter, and one hundred to two hundred pounds or more in weight. In 1885 Mr. Chas. Hewitt, Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, won our cash prize with a specimen weighing **two hundred and six and a half pounds**. In 1884 our prize was won by Jos. Dunn, Bryantsville, Ky., with a pumpkin of **two hundred and twenty-six pounds**. It has a salmon-colored skin; flesh bright yellow, fine-grained, and of good quality.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; 2 ozs. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50, postpaid.



THE GENUINE MAMMOTH PUMPKIN.

**BURPEE'S GOLDEN OBLONG.**

The pumpkins grow very uniform, from fifteen to twenty inches in length; the outer color is a rich golden-orange, or old gold; the skin, while thin, is tough, making it almost as good a keeper for winter use as the hard-shell winter squashes. The fruit, when young, is dark green, and changes to a rich golden-yellow as it ripens. The flesh is light yellow in color, of very rich, fine quality. It is *very prolific*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.10, postpaid.



**New Watermelon,—“KLECKLEY SWEETS.”**

Decidedly the SWEETEST-Flavored of all Large Watermelons.

**WHY?** should the Sweetest of All Melons be described among Pumpkins? This is a question that will doubtless occur to many of our customers. The reason is this: Owing to the immense edition of our Catalogue it is necessary to begin its preparation very early. This space was devoted to a new mammoth pumpkin, when, after the page was electrotyped, but fortunately before the “form” had gone to press, we received word just now (the first of October, 1896) that early frosts would prevent a sufficient quantity of seed of this pumpkin from ripening. Therefore we must omit the pumpkin and describe here the “**KLECKLEY SWEETS**” which we had intended offering on pink paper pages among NOVELTIES FOR 1897, where it properly belongs.

In THE FARM ANNUAL FOR 1896, on page 22, we printed the following notice:—

“**KLECKLEY SWEETS.**” Under this name is known a **New Watermelon** which has become celebrated already in Alabama. MR. W. A. KLECKLEY, the originator, wanted us to introduce it this year and furnished excellent testimony as to its value. We told him, however, that we must stick to our rule “to *prove all things*” before their introduction. Therefore we purchased two hundred pounds of the seed to distribute gratis for trial among our customers,—then if the verdict is favorable we shall introduce the **KLECKLEY SWEETS** as a **New Watermelon** in 1897.

The reports received from every section, as well as our own trials, prove that the “**KLECKLEY SWEETS**” are the **sweetest-flavored watermelons in cultivation**. Of oblong shape, dark-green skin, the bright-red flesh is *always solid*, and of the *most luscious flavor imaginable*. The only fault that we discovered is that the rind is too tender for the melons to ship well to distant markets, but for the home garden and local markets no other melon can equal the **KLECKLEY SWEETS**. We have not sufficient space to give an illustration here, but an engraving from photograph will be printed on each package of seed.

We only wish we had space to publish half the letters received in praise of the “**KLECKLEY SWEETS.**” The highest testimony we could give, however, is that of the well-known New Jersey melon grower, GEORGE R. PEDRICK, originator of the *Pedrick Perfected Corn*, described on page 86. In addition to our extensive Trial Grounds at FORDHOOK FARM we rent annually several acres from Mr. Pedrick for complete trials of melons (and other members of the *Cucurbitaceæ* family), on the light sandy soil of Southern New Jersey. Mr. Pedrick has been an extensive grower of melons for more than forty years, and said of the **KLECKLEY SWEETS**: “*They are by far the sweetest, finest-flavored of all melons.* Sweet and good as I have considered the *McIver Sugar* and *Sweet Heart*, none of our family or visitors will eat even these when they can get the **KLECKLEY SWEETS**. An important feature is that every melon you cut is *solid to the core*,—having a great, large, meaty heart and *never hollow.*”



So highly do we value the “**KLECKLEY SWEETS**” that we have purchased the entire crop of seed grown this season in Alabama by the originator, MR. W. A. KLECKLEY. *The original seed can be had from no other seedsmen.*

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. 35 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.



## RADISH SEED.

Our prices are for Seed postpaid by mail; if ordered by express or freight, deduct TEN CENTS per pound from prices quoted. If five pounds, or more, are ordered at one time, we supply the seed at 5 cts. per pound less than prices quoted.

Our Radish Seed is all the best French-Grown,—such as we have handled for twenty years. We could get seed much cheaper in England, and even in France, BUT,—the Best is none too good for our trade with the most critical Market Gardeners.

### LONG CARDINAL RADISH.

#### New Long Brightest Scarlet.

Its extraordinary earliness is remarkable, the roots being fit for use in twenty-five days after sowing the seed. From seed planted at FORDHOOK the 12th of May the radishes were ready to use on the 5th of June, and were noted particularly for crisp, tender flesh, and the bright, attractive color of skin. In shape very regular, smooth, and conical; in size it is intermediate between the long and half-long sorts. In color it is quite unique, being the *most fiery scarlet* we have ever seen in a radish; it is slightly tipped with white at the ends of the roots; the flesh is *crisp, tender*, and of the *finest quality*. This new radish will sell well in all markets, for besides its most excellent quality, its intense color will certainly attract the attention of all purchasers. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

	Per oz.	¼ lb.	Per lb.
Extra Early Scarlet Turnip. Small, round, red radishes, . . . . .	\$0 10	\$0 20	\$0 50
Early Round Dark Red. Very handsome; fine quality, . . . . .	10	20	55
Scarlet Turnip, White Tip. Also called Rosy Gem, . . . . .	10	20	60
Early White Turnip. Both skin and flesh white; crisp, . . . . .	10	20	50
Early Turnip Varieties, Mixed. Above and others, . . . . .	10	20	60
French Breakfast. Olive-shaped; red, tipped white, . . . . .	10	20	50
Scarlet Olive-Shaped. Quite early; olive-shaped, . . . . .	10	20	50
Early Oval Dark Red. Brilliant color; very early, . . . . .	10	20	60
Early White Olive-Shaped. White skin and crisp, white flesh, . . . . .	10	20	55
Olive-Shaped, Mixed. All extra early varieties, . . . . .	10	20	60
Half-Long Deep Scarlet. The New Orleans favorite, . . . . .	10	20	60
Wood's Early Frame. Similar to the Long Scarlet, . . . . .	10	20	50
Summer Radishes, Mixed. For use in family gardens, . . . . .	10	20	60
Giant White Stuttgart. An immense white radish, . . . . .	10	20	50
Golden Globe. A favorite summer radish, . . . . .	10	20	50
Chinese Rose, or Scarlet China. An excellent winter radish, . . . . .	10	25	70
California Mammoth White Winter. Of immense size; long, . . . . .	10	25	70
Round Black Spanish. The favorite winter <i>Rettig</i> of Germany, . . . . .	10	20	60
Long Black Spanish Winter. Black skin; white flesh, . . . . .	10	20	50
Long White Spanish Winter. White skin and flesh, . . . . .	10	20	50

☞ Each of the above 5 cts. per pkt., or any 25 pkts. for \$1.00.



### NEW BRIGHT BREAKFAST RADISH.

Gardeners generally know what an improvement the *Early Round Dark Red Radish* is over the old *Early Scarlet Turnip*, also the *Early Oval Dark Red* over the old *Scarlet Olive-Shaped Radish*. This variety is a similar improvement over the well-known and justly favorite *French Breakfast Radish*. The red skin is a much darker, richer color, contrasting vividly with the pure white tip. With particularly small tops the radishes grow very quickly, and if pulled while young and small are as crisp, tender, and good in taste as they are most attractive in appearance.

Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

### EARLIEST CARMINE OLIVE-SHAPED RADISH.

(Red Rocket, Improved Scarlet Globe, or Startle Radish.) One of the handsomest and best of all the extra early radishes,—hence its multiplicity of names. The root is regularly olive-shaped, very even, and with a smooth skin, of a rich, dark carmine color. The foliage is short, stiff, and extremely small. In twenty to twenty-two days the crisp, tender little radishes are ready to pull. Its earliness and light foliage recommend it for forcing. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

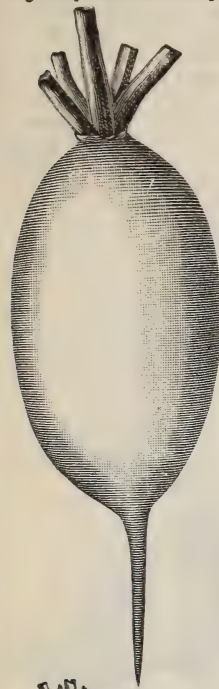


**RADISH—Continued.**

Please remember that **Ten Cents per pound** can be deducted if the seed is ordered by express or freight, at expense of purchaser. We also allow a further deduction of **5 cts. per lb.** when five pounds are ordered at one time.

**New Earliest White Radish.**

First introduced from France last year, this is undoubtedly the *earliest White Radish in cultivation*,—in fact, at FORDHOOK it was the *earliest of all Radishes*. The beautiful little radishes, of the size and form shown in the illustration, are ready for the table in *only eighteen to twenty days from sowing the seed*. Of handsome olive shape; both skin and flesh are white, of clear, mild flavor, crisp and tender. Prior to introduction of this **EARLIEST WHITE RADISH** we distributed many thousands of sample packets in 1895 among our customers, and all who have written us speak of it in the most enthusiastic terms, some even reporting radishes fit for the table in fifteen and sixteen days from planting the seed. See illustration, engraved full, natural size. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 35 cts.; 2 ozs. at 30 cts. per oz.



**CHARTIERS, or SHEPHERD RADISH.**

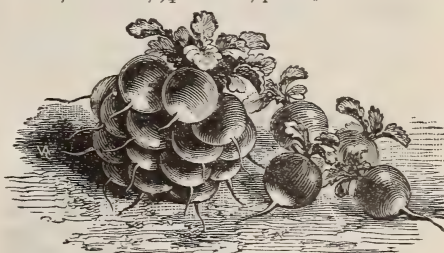
The roots grow to a large size, about two-thirds of the length being of a crimson-rose color, shading off lighter until, at the bottom, they become quite white. They are of quick growth, very tender, and remain of good quality for table use a very long time. It is undoubtedly one of the very best "all seasons" radishes for open garden culture; it is ready for use nearly as early as the Long Scarlet, and *keeps crisp and tender for two months*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 55 cts.



**LONG WHITE VIENNA, or Lady Finger Radish.** This is the finest Long White Radish in cultivation. It is most beautiful in shape, white in color; both skin and flesh are pure snow-white; crisp, brittle, and of rapid growth. *Highly recommended.* Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

**EARLY LONG SCARLET Short Top.** This is a fine selection of the long, slender, scarlet radish. It is very early, crisp, and fine-flavored, the roots averaging half an inch in diameter at the top and tapering throughout their length of four or five inches. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

**GOLDEN DRESDEN.** Planted, under ordinary conditions, May 5th, it was ready for the table June 3d. The tops are very scant, and admit of close planting. The radishes are perfectly round and smooth, while they have attractive light golden-brown skin. The flesh is crisp, white, of finest flavor. Gardeners can depend upon this as an early, perfect, and uniform crop. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.75.



**WHITE-TIPPED SCARLET BALL RADISH.**

**WHITE-TIPPED SCARLET BALL RADISH** (*Scarlet Turnip White-Tipped Forcing*). A small, round, turnip-shaped radish, of bright scarlet, distinctly tipped with clear white, sharply delineated, which gives a very pleasing appearance to the bunches when ready for market. It grows so quickly that the radishes are ready to pull in *fifteen to twenty days after sowing*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**DARK-RED BALL** (*Deep-Scarlet Turnip Forcing Radish*). Remarkably fine in quality and of very quick growth, being earlier even than the *Earliest Carmine Olive-shaped*, and ready to pull within fifteen to twenty days after sowing. Perfectly globular little roots, of very bright color and excellent shape—certain to insure ready sale on market. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**EARLY YELLOW BALL** (*Very Early Yellow Turnip Radish*). This is a true forcing radish, which is not quite the case with the *Golden Globe*. It is of about the same earliness as the *Early Scarlet Turnip Radish*, and is of very fine yellow color. It will prove a very welcome addition, for it fills a long-felt gap. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.



## BURPEE'S EARLIEST (SCARLET BUTTON) RADISH.

Named and introduced by us in 1887, this new Radish has given excellent satisfaction all over the United States. One customer reports that BURPEE'S EARLIEST was ready for the table April 25th, while the *French Breakfast*, sown the same day, was not ready until a week later. Mr. J. A. HILL, Mooreville, Ala., reports that he planted the seed APRIL 10th; it germinated APRIL 13th, and the radishes were first eaten on MAY 5th. It is a beautiful radish, of round form, with deep red skin. Of *very mild flavor*, for *crispness and tenderness* it surpasses most other strains of scarlet turnip radish. It has short, narrow leaves, making a very *small top*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.10.



SCARLET BUTTON RADISH.—Roots deep, dark scarlet color, round, with long, slender tap-root. Handsome in appearance and quality of the best.—From *Bulletin of THE MICHIGAN EXPERIMENTAL STATION, April, 1896.*

**LARGE WHITE GLOBE RADISH.** See illustration. A very large, round summer Turnip Radish. Of beautiful form, pure white skin and flesh, which is very crisp. It grows quickly to a large size and withstands summer heat. This radish is grown largely for market by our Philadelphia truckers. Careful comparative trials have proved the stock grown by us to be the *very best*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 55 cts.

**BURPEE'S SURPRISE RADISH.** Of very early, quick growth, the Surprise is remarkable for remaining in fine condition, without becoming pithy, for a very long time. It might also be called an "All Seasons" Radish, as it is the same fine quality the middle of summer. By successive sowings it will keep the table constantly supplied with very choice radishes. The roots are oblong or oval in form; the skin is very thin and light brown. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; lb \$1.25, postpaid.



LARGE WHITE GLOBE RADISH.

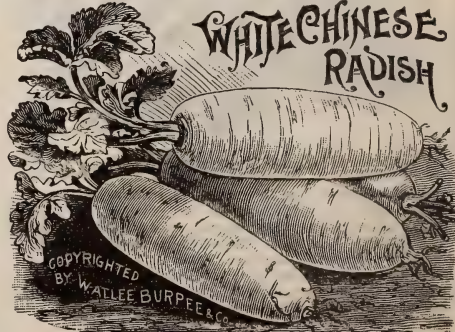


WHITE STRASBURG RADISH.

**WHITE STRASBURG RADISH.** We were the first to introduce this fine summer Radish into America, twelve years ago. Since then several "Novelties" have appeared, which, upon trial, appeared to be too similar to warrant a different name. The roots, as shown in the illustration, are of handsome, oblong, tapering shape; both skin and flesh are pure white. The flesh is firm, brittle, and tender, and possesses the most desirable character of retaining its crispness even when the roots are old and large; most excellent for summer use. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; lb 60 cts., postpaid. By express, 50 cts. per lb.

## WHITE CHINESE WINTER RADISH.

Visitors to the Chinese Quarter of San Francisco have often noticed the magnificent solid, giant white radishes. From the genuine seed, imported from China, we have had grown in California a supply of selected seed of this magnificent large radish. Do not plant the seed until summer! At FORDHOOK seed sown July 1st made excellent radishes of mammoth size for September use. We, however, especially recommend it as best of all winter radishes from seed sown early in August. Instead of being woody, as are so many winter radishes, the skin and flesh are both *snow-white, crisp, brittle, and of best quality*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; lb \$1.10, postpaid.



## RHUBARB.

### PIE PLANT, OR WINE PLANT.

Cultivated for its leaf stalks, which are used for tarts and pies, also as a sauce. It is very wholesome and should be grown in every garden.

**MYATT'S VICTORIA.** The most popular variety. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.50.

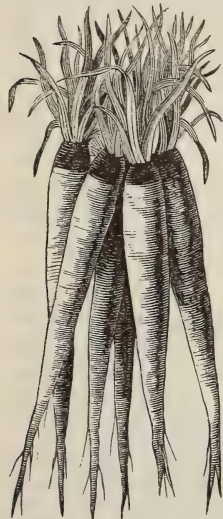
**RHUBARB ROOTS.** We have a fine stock of roots of the true *Myatt's Victoria*, which we offer at the following prices: 2 roots for 30 cts.; 4 roots for 50 cts. Prices will be quoted by letter on larger roots by express.

## SALSIFY,

### OR VEGETABLE OYSTER.

If ordered by express, deduct TEN CENTS per pound.

The Salsify is one of the most delicious and nutritious of vegetables, and should be more generally cultivated for use in winter, when the supply of really good vegetables is so limited. It has a grassy top, and a long, white, tapering root, nearly resembling a small parsnip. It closely assimilates to the taste and flavor of the oyster when properly cooked, and is a good substitute for it; very wholesome and nutritious. The roots are either boiled or mashed and made into fritters, in which form they are delicious.



**LONG WHITE SALSIFY.** The well-known standard variety. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 90 cts.

**SANDWICH ISLAND MAMMOTH.** Of extra large size, and fully equal in quality to the popular old variety mentioned above. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25.

## SORREL.

Of the easiest growth, Sorrel is cultivated for its leaves, which possess a very fine flavor boiled and served like spinach. It also makes delicious soup, according to directions given in "HOW TO COOK VEGETABLES."

**BROAD-LEAVED FRENCH.** This is the best variety,—large leaves of a pale color. So popular is this in France that whole fields of it are grown around Paris. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00.

## THE FAXON SQUASH.

This new Squash from Brazil is fairly represented in the following description by the introducer: "The ripe squashes vary in color, some of them being pale yellow with still paler yellow stripes in hollows, while others are green, mottled, and faintly striped lighter. The flesh is a deep orange-yellow, cavity very small, and seeds few; the special peculiarity, however, is that while uncooked it appears to have a shell like any squash, when cooked there is practically none, the shell or inedible part being only about as thick as a sheet of writing paper. It is the best squash we ever tasted—being sweet and very dry—and for squash pies it must be appreciated. It is the best winter variety we know of, being a very late keeper." See illustration.

Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

## SQUASH,—MEXICAN BANANA.

Banana-shaped, about two and one-half feet long. Light slate color, with rich, fine-grained, yellow flesh. Quality as a late fall and early winter Squash is excellent. Seeds are quite distinct, being very thick and brown. Vines vigorous and productive.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 20 cts.

## SPINACH.

If ordered by express, deduct TEN CENTS per pound.



VICTORIA SPINACH. From a Photograph.

**NEW VICTORIA.** The illustration above shows a plant engraved from a photograph. The foliage is heavy, the broad, dark-green leaves being of the true Savoy appearance and of the finest quality. One of the most remarkable features that will make it of special value (for spring planting) is the fact that it is in prime condition from two weeks to three weeks after all other varieties of Spinach have run to seed. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 40 cts., postpaid.

**THICK-LEAVED ROUND.** Produces large, thick, dark-green leaves, somewhat crumpled. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts., postpaid.

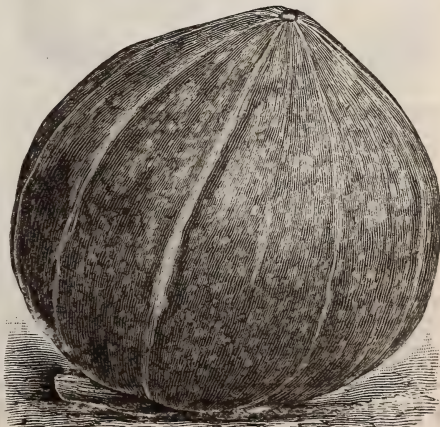
**LONG-STANDING (Enkhuizen).** The best for spring sowing. The leaves are large, thick, fleshy, and crumpled, fully equal in quality to the Savoy-leaved. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts.

**LONG-STANDING PRICKLY.** The plants mature a little later than the round-leaved sorts, but furnish a large quantity of very thick leaves of excellent flavor. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts.

**NORFOLK SAVOY-LEAVED (Bloomsdale).** The leaves are numerous, succulent, curled, and wrinkled. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts.

**PRICKLY, or WINTER.** Hardy, for fall sowing. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 35 cts.

**NEW ZEALAND SPINACH (Tetragonia expansa).** Very useful to supply the place of the ordinary Spinach during the hottest months of the year. The seed is sown where the plants are to stand, in May, and the plants will continue to yield a supply of good leaves of excellent quality during the entire summer. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00.



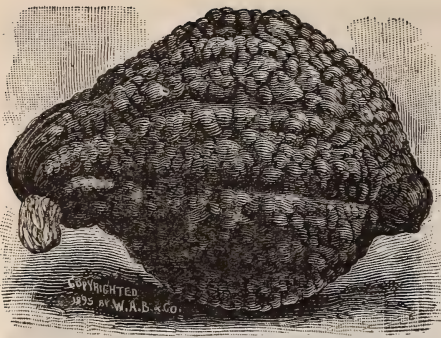
## SQUASHES.

Our prices are for Seeds postpaid, by mail.

If ordered by express, deduct TEN CENTS per pound.


**NEW GIANT SUMMER CROOKNECK.** This new strain is earlier even than the common variety, while the squashes grow to an extra large size, measuring from eighteen inches to two feet long, and of fine quality. Their handsome appearance commands an extra price on the market. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid.

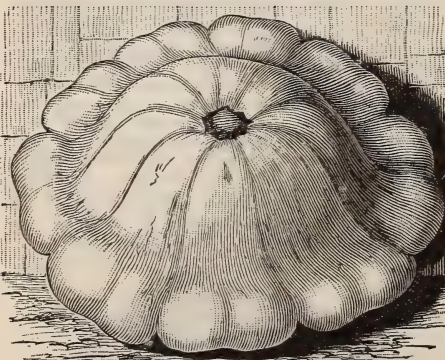
**CHICAGO WARTED HUBBARD.** Our select strain of the ever-popular old *Hubbard Squash* is most excellent, but the Chicago growers seem to have produced "An Ideal Hubbard." "A Hubbard Squash, large, blackish-green, hard as wood, with warty knobs all over it, satisfies even the inexperienced observer that it is the best of its class, rich in quality, a keeper and thick-fleshed—such as will sell at sight." Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.



CHICAGO WARTED HUBBARD SQUASH.

	Per oz.	$\frac{1}{4}$ lb.	Per lb.
<b>Early White Bush, Scalloped.</b> The <i>White Patty Pan Squash</i> , . . .	\$0 10	\$0 20	\$0 50
<b>Early Yellow Bush, Scalloped.</b> Differs in its deep-orange color, . .	10	20	50
<b>Golden Summer Crookneck.</b> The popular, small crooknecked, . .	10	20	50
<b>Strickler Summer.</b> A <i>running</i> variety of <i>Giant Summer Crookneck</i> ,	10	25	65
<b>Cocozelle Bush.</b> Excellent to use young, <i>fried</i> , . . . . .	10	25	75
<b>Pineapple.</b> Peculiar shape; white skin and flesh; fine for early autumn,	10	25	75
<b>Boston Marrow.</b> A bright-orange squash for autumn use, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Early Orange Marrow.</b> Earlier and more productive, . . . . .	10	20	55
<b>Brazil Sugar.</b> The richest flavor in autumn, . . . . .	10	25	75
<b>Essex Hybrid.</b> A good squash for fall and winter use, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Warren.</b> An improved type of the <i>Essex Hybrid</i> ; excellent, . . . .	10	25	75
<b>Hubbard.</b> The well-known popular, standard winter squash, . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Pike's Peak.</b> A most excellent winter squash; long keeper, . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Der Wing.</b> An ornamental, hard-shelled, little winter squash, . . .	10	30	90
<b>Perfect Gem.</b> Small, round, white squash for fall and winter, . . . .	10	20	60
<b>White Chestnut.</b> "As dry as a boiled chestnut," for winter use, . .	10	20	60

 In regular-size packets, each of the above, 5 cents per packet.



**NEW MAMMOTH WHITE BUSH, SCALLOPED, or Improved Patty-Pan Squash.** The great improvement has been effected by careful selection, so that the squashes are now very uniform in shape and wonderfully prolific. They are fit to use very early, are of a beautiful white color, and grow to a large size—twelve to fifteen inches across. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**MAMMOTH YELLOW BUSH, or GOLDEN CUSTARD.** Resembles the preceding, except in color. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**WHITE SUMMER CROOKNECK.** This is the same as the well-known *Yellow Summer Crookneck*, except that the squashes are white in color. The ivory-white fruits are very handsome and uniform in shape. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**NEW RED HUBBARD.** This new variety was introduced from Ohio in 1896 as *Golden Hubbard*. It is identical in form and quality with the well-known *Hubbard Squash*, except that the heavily warted skin is of a beautiful, bright-red color. We are very much pleased with this novelty, and regret that our crop of seed turned out so short that we cannot offer it by the pound. It will not, of course, sell so well on market as the original *Hubbard*, until it becomes known. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.

**GIANT YELLOW SUMMER STRAIGHTNECK.** This new variety has become very popular on the Chicago markets. It is the same as the *New Giant Summer Crookneck*, described at top of page, except that most of the squashes are straight, instead of being crooknecked. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**LIVINGSTON'S PIE SQUASH, or WINTER LUXURY PUMPKIN.** Few, if any, pumpkins or squashes can equal it for cooking—in fact, one of our growers, who knows all varieties, is emphatic in stating that "it is the best pumpkin grown for pies." Unfortunately, it is extensively advertised also under three other names, "Queen Pumpkin," "Pie Pumpkin," and "Pie Squash." Under whichever name, if you plant the pure seed you will find it will uniformly produce handsome little round pumpkins, with smooth, yellow skin, covered with gray netting. The flesh is very thick, sweet, and fine-flavored, making the most delicious pies. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 70 cts., postpaid.

**NEW RED CHINA.**—Crop a total failure.

**DELICATA.** Early and very prolific; of oblong shape. Ground color orange-yellow, splashed and striped with very dark green. Although of small size, the squashes are very solid and heavy, while the quality is rich and dry. An excellent "all seasons" squash. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts., postpaid.

**VEGETABLES for the HOME GARDEN.** A new book for the million. Price 10 cts. See page 4.

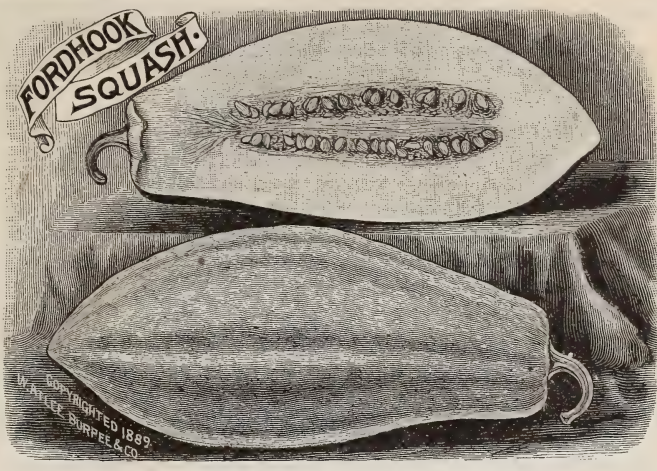
## FORDHOOK SQUASH.

Bright yellow outside and straw-yellow within. The flesh is dry and sweet,—the best in quality of all winter squashes. It seems incapable of rotting, and keeps in perfect condition until late in June.

It is a strong and rapid grower,—earlier in ripening than any other winter squash, and is immensely productive.

A most valuable characteristic is the fact that while such a remarkable keeper, the skin is so very thin and delicate that the squashes are prepared for the table by simply cutting in half lengthwise and cooking, skin and all, at any time throughout the winter. Another feature is that the green squashes can be used at any stage of their growth.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.10.



## MAMMOTH WHALE SQUASH.

This new Squash from France, introduced by us last year, produces the most magnificent Mammoth Squashes we have ever seen.

The squashes are often three feet long, of a dark, rich color, and sometimes weigh over one hundred pounds. Its greatest diameter is near the blossom end; and tapers from there to each end; this peculiar form, together with its immense size, doubtless suggested the name MAMMOTH WHALE. It is very prolific; the vines are robust and hardy. The flesh is solid, of a beautiful orange-yellow color and of excellent quality. It is a good winter keeper.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.

### MAMMOTH CHILI SQUASH.

Prior to introduction of The Mammoth Whale last year, this was the "Jumbo" of the Squash family. The form is round, flattened at both stem and blossom end. The outer color is a rich orange-yellow; the skin is quite smooth, with wide fissures. The flesh is very thick and of a rich yellow color; the quality is good and very nutritious. They are most profitable to grow for stock feeding. They keep well throughout the entire winter. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; 2 ozs. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; lb \$1.25, postpaid.

### BUSH SQUASH,—Long White Marrow.

The stems, instead of running, remain very short and rather thick, bearing closely set leaves of a dark-green color, with a few grayish blotches. Fruit longer than that of the Vegetable Marrow, being from fourteen to twenty inches in length, with a diameter of five and a half or six inches, narrowed toward the stalk, and traversed by five ribs. Like the Vegetable Marrow, the fruit of this variety is usually eaten before it is fully grown, the plant continuing to produce new fruit in succession. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.




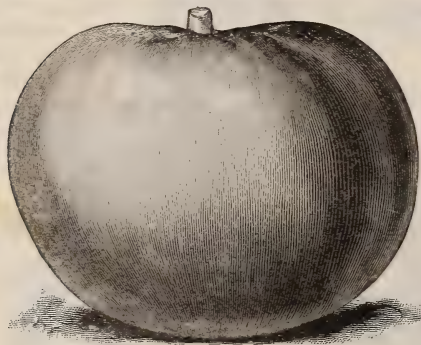
# Burpee's Seed of the Best TOMATOES.

It is false economy to try to save on the first cost of Tomato Seed,—a little seed goes so far. And yet the country is almost "flooded" with *cheap Tomato Seed*, saved without any regard to selection, and sometimes even the refuse of canning establishments.

Our Tomatoes are grown especially for seed, and largely by ourselves in Bucks County, Pa. This seed *actually costs us more than double the prices at which we are offered annually* so-called "pure seed cheap." "A word to the wise is sufficient."

	Per oz.	¼ lb.	Per lb.
<b>Acme.</b> The well-known standard <i>bright-pink</i> tomato, . . . . .	\$0 20	\$0 50	\$1 75
<b>Beauty.</b> Large, solid, smooth tomatoes; purplish-pink, . . . . .	20	50	1 75
<b>Paragon.</b> The well-known standard <i>bright-red</i> tomato, . . . . .	20	50	1 75
<b>Livingston's Perfection.</b> In our opinion identical with Paragon, . . . . .	20	50	1 75
<b>Livingston's Favorite.</b> Bright-red, smooth tomatoes, of good size, . . . . .	20	50	1 75
<b>Early Optimus.</b> Handsome, bright-scarlet fruits; quite early, . . . . .	20	60	2 00
<b>Volunteer.</b> Bright red; moderately early; of fair size, . . . . .	20	60	2 00
<b>Chemin.</b> <i>Very prolific</i> ; distinctly <i>appte-shaped</i> ; bright red; early, . . . . .	25	75	2 50
<b>Trophy.</b> Very large, solid, and generally smooth, . . . . .	25	75	2 50
<b>Thornburn's Long-Keeper.</b> Bright red, early, and very productive, . . . . .	20	60	2 00
<b>New Terra-Cotta.</b> With lusterless skin of a <i>pure terra-cotta color</i> , . . . . .	30		
<b>New Lemon-Blush.</b> Flesh bright lemon-yellow and of fine flavor; skin also lemon-yellow, but shaded beautifully with reddish-blush, . . . . .	25	75	2 50
<b>Golden Queen.</b> <i>This is the only first-class, large, pure yellow tomato</i> , . . . . .	25	75	2 50
<b>The Peach Tomato.</b> Resembles the peach in form and suffused coloring; very solid; rich, meaty flesh to eat raw, . . . . .	25	75	2 50

 All the above Tomatoes are 5 cents per packet.



NEW IMPERIAL TOMATO.

**NEW IMPERIAL.** This fine new Tomato is *not so early as the Fordhook First*, but the fruits are of larger size and thicker through. It is quite thick at the shoulder, free from any hard core, and is quite fleshy. The tomatoes are very smooth and fine in form, of a bright-red color, but changing to pinkish-purple, like *Acme*, when fully ripe. Per pkt. 10 cts.; ¼ oz. 15 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.

**EXTRA EARLY ADVANCE.** This Tomato is (next to *Fordhook First*) the *earliest really good* Tomato in cultivation. The tomatoes are of small size, bright red, solid, and with no green core. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.

**THE TURNER HYBRID OR MIKADO TOMATO.** It is a rank, strong grower, with thick stalks, the large leaves being entire and not cut, and is *enormously productive*. It grows quickly and is ready to market *very early* for so large a tomato. The fruit is *extra large* in size and *remarkably solid*. The average weight of the tomatoes is from twelve to eighteen ounces, but many specimens reach twenty to twenty-four ounces in weight.



The form of the fruit is round and thick through, and, while the extra large fruits are not so regular in shape, they are firm and solid; the color is a very brilliant red. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; lb \$2.50.

**ROYAL RED.** Although not so solid as *Matchless* or *Stone*, this variety has become very popular with canners on account of its *intense, brightest red* color. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 30 cts.; ¼ lb 85 cts.; lb \$3.00, postpaid.

**MAYFLOWER.** This is now the standard for growing under glass. The flower is one of the easiest fertilized and sets fruit very readily, even in dull weather. The tomatoes are medium in size and borne in clusters of five to seven at every third joint. In color they are brightest scarlet, ripening right up to the stem, and while quite solid they are free from any hard core and do not crack. Planted in the garden it is one of the first to ripen, and produces a continuous crop of smooth, highly-colored fruits of uniform size and excellent keeping qualities, as well as of finest flavor. Pkt. 10 cts.; ½ oz. 20 cts.; oz. 35 cts.; ¼ lb \$1.00; lb \$3.50.

**DWARF CHAMPION.** Dwarf and compact in growth, the plants grow stiff and upright, with thick-jointed stems, and foliage unlike most others, of an unusually dark-green color, thick and corrugated. In form, color, and size the tomatoes resemble the *Acme*—very smooth. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.

**DWARF ARISTOCRAT.** In habit of growth and foliage this resembles the *Dwarf Champion*, but differs in the color of the fine, solid fruit, which is glossy red. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 30 cts.; ¼ lb 85 cts.; per lb \$3.00.

**BUCKEYE STATE.** Very productive; large, solid, smooth purple tomatoes; season, medium to late. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.

**ESSEX EARLY HYBRID.** This is one of the handsomest *bright-pink* tomatoes in cultivation. Quite early, solid, rich flavored, large in size, grows perfectly smooth, and is very productive. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**IGNOTUM.** Large, smooth, and solid. It is also very productive and uniform, the last pickings being scarcely inferior to the best of the season. It is of a very handsome, uniform, deep-red color. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**STONE.** Very large, and of bright-scarlet color; smooth; ripening evenly to the stem; exceedingly solid; is an excellent shipper; quality is of the best. Very productive; fine for canning; a good keeper. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.

**BURPEE'S CLIMAX.** *Crop a total failure.*

**PONDEROSA, or No. 400.** This monster tomato, "is all solid meat, so free from seeds that we have had to pay our growers five times as much to raise seed of this as of the ordinary sorts. It is a very handsome variety, being uniformly large, smooth, of a dark, rich crimson color, and a delicious sub-acid flavor. To show the enormous size of this great tomato, we would state that twelve specimens weighed sixteen and a half pounds, an average weight of one pound six ounces each, one monster tipping the scales at one pound fourteen ounces." Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 35 cts.; ¼ lb \$1.25.

# NEW TOMATO—FORDHOOK FIRST.

FORDHOOK FIRST is a perfectly smooth, solid tomato of first-class appearance; also **extremely early**,—ready to market nearly as soon as the rough, unshapely fruits of poor quality of the old early Richmond type. The varieties of this type,



such as *Earliest of All*, *Early Ruby*, *Atlantic Prize*, *King of the Earlies*, etc., we have never offered, as we consider their quality and

form too poor for either market or home use. MESSRS. S. D. WOODRUFF & SONS, the well-known market gardeners, near Hartford, from whom we obtained the FORDHOOK FIRST, write:—

“It is the only perfectly smooth and solid tomato of which we know that gets to market as early as the rough and unshapely fruits of poor quality from such sorts as *Early Ruby*, *Atlantic Prize*, etc., all of which we have carefully tested and discarded for this much more desirable variety. In fact, the fruit of your FORDHOOK FIRST commanded last season \$2.00 per one-half bushel basket in our market, when the best selected *Rubies* went begging at \$1.50 per one-half bushel.”

Per pkt. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 25 cts.; oz. 40 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.10; per lb \$4.00.



FORDHOOK FIRST TOMATO. From a Photograph.

FORDHOOK FIRST (Burpee).—Five days later than the *First of All*, but superior to it in flavor, shape, and solidity. The smoothest extra early variety tested.—From ARKANSAS AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

We find FORDHOOK FIRST as early as any we have tried, generally perfectly smooth, ripening evenly about the stem, heavy and solid.—Reported from the *Experimental Grounds of THE RURAL NEW YORKER*.

FORDHOOK FIRST.—A smooth, round tomato, red and purple, nearly uniform in size and shape. The yield was remarkably large and suffered nothing from rot. The plants are vigorous but not rampant, with medium-sized foliage. A very good, all-round tomato.—From Report of THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

MATCHLESS (Burpee).—A good late variety. Smooth, even, firm, bright red; not so frequently cracked at base as many.—From *Bulletin 21*, CORNELL UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

MATCHLESS.—Plant medium size, with small foliage. The fruit is red, smooth, and above medium size, slightly oblong, with much solid flesh. In yield this variety was one of the best.—From *Annual Report, 1895*, of THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE.

MATCHLESS.—Light red, medium to very large, smooth, and roundish flat. Very prolific. Ripe July 20th. This is one of the handsomest tested.—From *Bulletin No. 51* of AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION OF AUBURN, ALABAMA.

## TRUCKER'S FAVORITE.

The best of all purple-colored tomatoes. It originated in Burlington County, N. J.

“It is one of the largest tomatoes grown, and is most regular in shape and size. Color purplish-red, very solid, firm flesh, a good keeper, and not subject to rot or crack on the vines. It is an excellent shipper, and sold in Philadelphia markets at better prices than any other variety offered at the same time. Ripens evenly to the stem, is a strong, healthy grower, not subject to rust or blight, is an enormous cropper, and produces until the vines are killed by frost, holding its size exceedingly well until the last picking. The quality is of the very best, and for cooking and slicing purposes it cannot be excelled. It is in every way a most desirable variety for market gardeners, and hence the name, ‘TRUCKER’S FAVORITE.’”

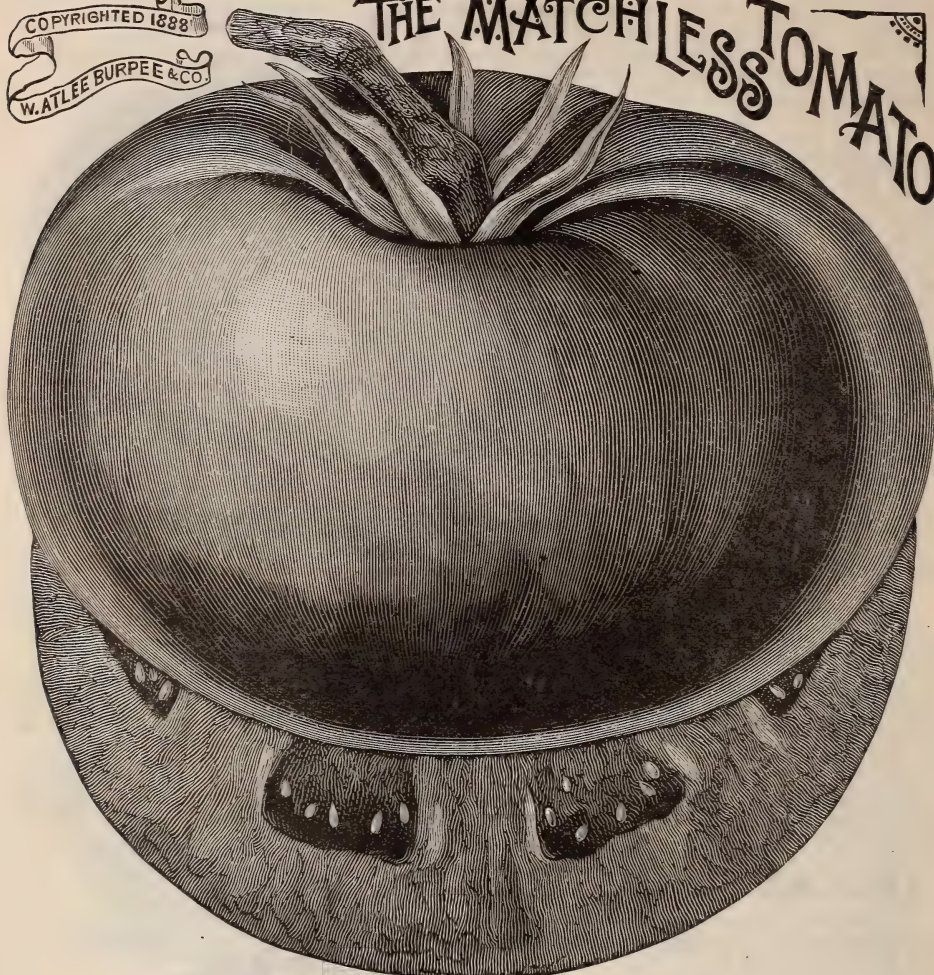
Per pkt. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 25 cts.; per oz. 40 cts.; 2 ozs. for 75 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.10; per lb \$4.00, postpaid.



TRUCKER'S FAVORITE TOMATO. From a Photograph.

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THE MATCHLESS TOMATO



## THE MATCHLESS TOMATO.

As grown by us, from carefully selected Stock-Seed, THE MATCHLESS TOMATO is well worthy of its name. In beauty of coloring and symmetry of form it is indeed without a peer. The vines are of strong, vigorous growth, well set with fruit; the foliage is very rich dark green in color. The engraving accurately shows the shape and also the remarkable solidity of a section. They are entirely free from core, of a very rich cardinal-red color, and are not liable to crack from wet weather. The fruits are of the largest size, and this is maintained throughout the season, the healthy growth of foliage continuing until killed by frost.

Had we to confine ourselves to one variety it would be THE MATCHLESS, for certainly no other Tomato in cultivation to-day will produce extra large fruits, so handsome and marketable. The skin is remarkably tough and solid, so that ripe specimens picked from the vine will keep in good, marketable condition for two weeks. Its fine quality and solidity are unequaled.

Per pkt. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 20 cts.; per oz. 35 cts.; 2 ozs. 60 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb \$1.00; per lb \$3.50.

**WHICH IS THE BEST?** The universal popularity of the Tomato naturally makes great rivalry among growers. The multiplication of varieties tends to confuse purchasers, and therefore in recommending THE MATCHLESS we would state plainly that we have tested it during the past seven seasons at FORDHOOK FARM alongside of all known varieties, including such new sorts as Autocrat, Democrat, Challenger, Early Leader, Early Minnesota, Daybreak, Comrade, Crimson Cushion, Liberty Bell, Cumberland Red, Early Michigan, Great B. B., Shenandoah, Majestic, Picture Rock, Table Queen, Belmont, Ruby, Ten Ton, Money Maker, Prize Taker, World's Fair, Ruby Queen, Early Champion, South Jersey, Brandywine, Mitchell's New Tomato, Logan Giant, Two-pound, Columbian Prize, Bright and Early, Warrior, and The Waldorf, with the result that our answer is, that (when grown from pure, selected stock, such as ours) the very best bright-red Tomato in cultivation to-day is THE MATCHLESS.



**SMALL-FRUITED TOMATOES.**

The following varieties are extremely useful for preserving and pickling. They are all enormously productive, and a short row in the garden will furnish an ample supply for a large family. The varieties are perfectly pure, having all been raised at FORDHOOK FARM.



RED PEAR-SHAPED TOMATO.

**RED PEAR-SHAPED.** This is a leading favorite for preserves, and also to make "tomato figs." The fruit is bright red, of true pear-shape, and of rich, distinct flavor. The larger plum-shaped red tomato, often sold under the same name, is not nearly equal to the true variety. No other red tomato will make preserves approaching this variety in delicious, rich, sweet flavor. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.25.

**YELLOW PLUM-SHAPED.** Fruit a little larger than the preceding, of even plum-shape; skin and flesh clear, deep-yellow color; very popular for preserving. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.25.

**RED CHERRY.** These little, round fruits are borne in large clusters most abundantly, and are good both for preserving and pickling; bright red. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.25.

**YELLOW CHERRY.** This differs from the Red Cherry only in color, which is a clear, bright yellow. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.25.

**TOMATOES FOR PRESERVES—Special Mixture.** The best varieties of both colors. Per pkt. 5 cts.

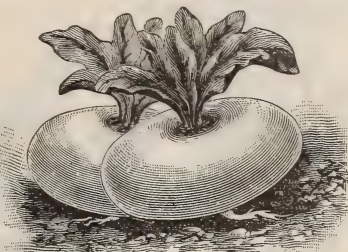
**STRAWBERRY, or WINTER CHERRY (Alkekengi).**

Grows enclosed in a husk; excellent for preserves; will keep within husks all winter; very sweet-flavored, small, yellow fruits. This is well worth growing for preserves, both on account of its fine quality and immense productiveness. The pretty, bright, yellow fruits also make a handsome dessert dish, while the flavor as fruit makes them popular. Ten plants, in our Trial Grounds, yielded a bushel of the small fruits. It is much earlier, and better than the CAPE GOOSEBERRY. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00.



**TURNIPS.**

Our prices are for Seeds, postpaid, by mail. If ordered by express, deduct TEN CENTS per pound.



NEW EXTRA EARLY WHITE MILAN TURNIP.

**EXTRA EARLY WHITE MILAN.** Although we have had contracts each year for the seed with the originator in France, never until crop of 1896 did we secure a supply sufficient to offer this grand novelty. It was introduced the same year as the *Kashmyr Turnip*, and is equally as valuable. It grows with wonderful rapidity, and is the earliest White Turnip in cultivation. Of splendid quality, small top and single tap root, it is most attractive with clear white skin and flesh; fine-grained and tender. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. 35 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**SCARLET KASHMYR.** A most distinct novelty, of such peculiar color that it has a striking resemblance to a large radish. "Unwarned judges would, no doubt, pronounce it one of those radishes so persistently complained of as tasting like turnips!" However, it is a turnip, and of most excellent flavor; of a deep, rich crimson above, shading to a soft crimson-rose below. It is an extra early strap-leaved variety, with beautiful, large, smooth, white-fleshed roots of excellent keeping quality; smooth, thin, silky skin. This is the same variety that has been introduced from England under the name of *Cardinal Turnip*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**EARLY RED, or PURPLE-TOP STRAP-LEAVED.** The most generally planted variety. It is a quick grower; the flesh is very fine-grained and sweet-flavored. The red top of the bulb, which extends down to where it rests in the soil, adds much to the appearance of this popular variety. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

**EXTRA EARLY PURPLE-TOP MILAN, STRAP-LEAVED.** This splendid new Turnip is the earliest in cultivation. The bulb is very flat, of medium size, quite smooth, with a bright purple top; leaves few, short, and of light color, growing very compact, with an exceedingly small top. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**EARLY WHITE FLAT DUTCH, STRAP-LEAVED.** A very popular market variety. Grows quickly, comes early, clear white skin; flesh of juicy, mild flavor and excellent quality. For early use sow very early in the spring, and again in July and August for autumn use. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

**RED-TOP WHITE GLOBE.** One of the best early varieties grown and very popular. Of large size and rapid growth; globe-shaped bulbs, with red or purple top; fine quality. It keeps well, and is excellent for early or winter market. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

**JERSEY NAVET.** For autumn sowing. Delicate, sweet flesh; white, and resembles a parsnip in shape. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 25 cts.; per lb 75 cts.

**WHITE EGG.** Of rapid growth; egg-shaped, with thin, white skin. Very solid, firm, fine-grained flesh, of sweet, mild flavor. It grows to a good size, and is excellent either as an early or late variety. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

**GOLDEN BALL, or Orange Jelly.** Rich, sweet, pulpy flesh; of quick growth, and keeps well. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

**YELLOW ABERDEEN.** Of round form, yellow flesh, of fine texture, nutritious, and a good keeper. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 15 cts.; per lb 45 cts.

**LARGE YELLOW, or AMBER GLOBE.** Grows to a large size; flesh yellow, firm, and fine-grained. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

**THREE BOOKS FOR THE MILLION.**

No one who has a garden can spend 25 CENTS more profitably than by purchasing our **Three Ten-Cent Books**, as described on pages 4 and 13. Each is well worthy of careful reading and constant reference.



NEW HALF-LONG RED-TOP TURNIP.

**NEW HALF-LONG RED-TOP TURNIP.** The form of this distinct turnip is shown in the illustration, and the handsome appearance can easily be imagined when the shape of the roots, distinctly marked with red on the upper half accurately defined from the pure white of the lower half, is considered. The flesh is pure white, firm, fine-grained, and of the most delicious flavor. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.10, postpaid.

**WHITE GLOBE STRAP-LEAVED TURNIP.** Of perfect globe shape, about six inches in diameter, with smooth, white skin; flesh pure white, firm, and crisp; leaves long, erect, and of a clear green. The roots are remarkably quick in their growth. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

**SWEET GERMAN, or LONG WHITE FRENCH.** Flesh white, hard, and firm, partaking much of the nature of a ruta бага. Should be sown earlier than the flat turnips. In autumn and early winter it is apt to be hard, but mellows like an apple by keeping. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

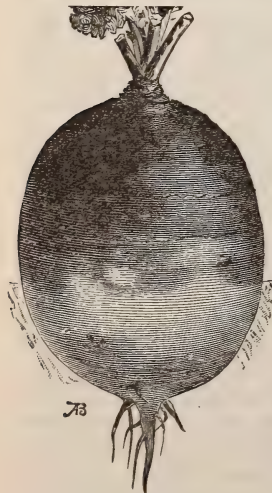
**LONG WHITE, or Cowhorn.** Pure white, except at top; roots grow half above the ground. Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

**POMERANIAN WHITE GLOBE.** A rough-leaved sort, valuable both for stock feeding and table use. Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 15 cts.; per lb 45 cts.

**TELTAU, or Small Berlin.** Very small, spindle-shaped roots; the rind has a peculiar flavor, and should not be taken off when used; esteemed for flavoring soups. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.; per lb 70 cts.

**MONARCH, or NEW ELEPHANT RUTA BAGA.**

The form of this distinct New Ruta Baga is well shown in the illustration. It is already very popular in England, and is certainly a grand variety, claimed to "yield larger roots and more of them on an acre than any other sort." It produces large, oval-shaped roots, with short, small necks and relatively small tops; the skin is dark red above ground and yellow below; flesh is of a rich yellow, fine-grained, and of the best quality. Owing to the fact that the roots grow so much above ground, it is an easy matter to harvest them, consequently the **Monarch Ruta Baga** can be grown at less expense per acre than any of the globe-shaped varieties. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts., postpaid. By express, 50 cts. per lb.



MONARCH RUTA BAGA

## RUTA BAGAS, or Swedes.

The Swedish or Russian Turnips (Ruta Bagas) grow larger in size and are of greater value for stock feeding than the ordinary turnips. If ordered to be sent by express, deduct TEN CENTS per pound.

**BURPEE'S IMPROVED PURPLE-TOP YELLOW RUTA BAGA.** This magnificent Swede, the result

of judicious selection, is the hardiest, most productive, and most nutritious variety in cultivation. It is a large purple-top yellow variety; shape slightly oblong, with single tap-root, free from coarseness of neck. For uniformity of crop and keeping qualities it is superior to all other Swedes. It produces a very heavy weight per acre and keeps sound and good until late in the spring; flesh sweet.



BURPEE'S IMPROVED PURPLE-TOP.

Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 60 cts.

**IMPERIAL HARDY.** A purple-topped variety, large size, with a single tap-root and small, fine top. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

**LARGE WHITE.** Remarkable for its nutritious properties, hardness, and long keeping. Of large size, rich, sweet flavor; should be sown late. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts., postpaid.

**BURPEE'S BREADSTONE.** *Crop failed.*

## TOBACCO SEED.

**CONNECTICUT SEED LEAF.** An old, well-known variety. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; lb \$2.00.

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**CUBAN SEED LEAF.** Has the size of the Seed Leaf with the shape and flavor of the Cuban. The leaves measure from thirteen to seventeen inches across. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.

**LANCASTER CO. BROADLEAF.** More largely grown than any other in Lancaster County, Pa. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00.

**HAVANA.** *Genuine Imported Seed* from the famous district of *Vuelta de Abajo*. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 60 cts.

**BONANZA.** A White Burley cross on Yellow Oronoko and a very superior one, possessing the qualities of both parents beautifully blended, and for the manufacturing types most popular and in the greatest demand. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.

**GOLD FINDER.** A Yellow Oronoko crossed on White Burley, and, in the estimation of some planters who have seen it growing, the most beautiful yet developed. Growing on the hill, it is almost as white as the Burley. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.

**GENERAL GRANT.** It produces leaves forty-four inches in length, of proportionate breadth, and matures its crop perfectly as far north as Duluth, Minn. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.

Our space does not allow us to give descriptions of the following standard varieties of Tobacco. We have good, pure seed of each at the following prices: Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

Gold Leaf.	Hester.	Gooch.
Yellow Oronoko.	Medley Prior.	Sweet Oronoko.

## POT, SWEET, AND MEDICINAL HERBS.

A few pot and sweet herbs (for flavoring soups, meats, etc.) are indispensable to every garden, while some of the medicinal herbs will be found very useful also. Herbs in general love a mellow and free soil, and care should be taken in properly harvesting them in a dry state. The chief points are to cut them on a dry day when not quite in full blossom, and to dry them quickly in the shade, and when dry to pack them close in dry boxes, keeping them entirely excluded from the air. The varieties marked with an asterisk (\*) are perennial.

**ANISE** (*Pimpinella anisum*). Used for cordial, garnishing, and flavoring; the seeds have an agreeable, aromatic taste. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.

**BALM** (*Melissa officinalis*). The leaves have a fragrant odor, and are used for making a pleasant beverage, known as balm wine, also for balm tea, for use in fevers. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.

**BASIL, SWEET** (*Ocimum basilicum*). The leaves are used for flavoring soups, stews, and highly-seasoned dishes. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**BENE** (*Sesamum orientale*). Too tender for the North, but much used in the South. The seeds furnish an oil used for softening and whitening the skin. The leaves immersed in a tumbler of water will make a drink very beneficial for diarrhoea. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**BORAGE** (*Borago officinalis*). The leaves are used for flavoring, and the flowers furnish bee pasture; most easily grown in any waste place. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb. 40 cts.; per lb. \$1.25, postpaid.

**CARAWAY** (*Carum carui*). Grown for the seeds, which are used extensively for the flavoring of bread, pastry, etc. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 25 cts.

**CATNIP, or CATMINT** (*Nepeta cataria*). The leaves and young shoots are used for seasoning. *It makes, also, an excellent bee pasture.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 35 cts.

**CORIANDER** (*Coriandrum sativum*). The seeds form an important article of commerce; they are used in the manufacture of liquors and confectionery. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.

**DILL** (*Anethum graveolens*). The seeds have an aromatic odor and warm, pungent taste. They are used as a condiment, and also for pickling with cucumbers. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00.

**FENNEL, SWEET** (*Anethum feniculum*). The leaves boiled are used in fish sauces. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.

**HOREHOUND** (*Marrubium vulgare*). The leaves are used for seasoning, and also in the manufacture of the popular cough remedy. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.

**HOP SEED.** Per pkt. 25 cts.; oz. \$1.50.

**LAVENDER** (*Lavendula vera*). An aromatic, medicinal herb. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**MARJORAM, SWEET** (*Origanum marjoram*). The leaves and the ends of the shoots are highly esteemed for seasoning, both in summer and also dried for winter use. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.

**PENNYROYAL** (*Mentha pulegium*). The true Pennyroyal is but little known. It forms a dense mass of bright-green foliage particularly suited for rock work. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**ROSEMARY** (*Rosmarinus officinalis*). The aromatic leaves are used for seasoning. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.

**\*RUE** (*Ruta graveolens*). For medicinal purposes; good for fowls, for the croup. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**\*SAGE** (*Salvia officinalis*). The most extensively used of all herbs for seasoning and dressing; indispensable. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 65 cts.; per lb \$2.25.

**SUMMER SAVORY** (*Satureia hortensis*). The leaves and flowers are extensively used for flavoring, particularly in soups and dressings. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 30 cts.; per lb \$1.00, postpaid.

**\*WINTER SAVORY** (*Satureia montana*). The leaves and young shoots are used for flavoring. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**\*TANSY** (*Tanacetum vulgare*). Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 30 cts. **TAGETES LUCIDA.** A very pretty plant and considered by many an excellent substitute for the *True Tarragon*. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 45 cts.

**\*THYME** (*Thymus vulgaris*). The leaves and young shoots are used for seasoning; a tea is also made for nervous headache. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 20 cts.

**\*WORMWOOD** (*Artemisia absinthium*). Used medicinally, and is beneficial for poultry; should be planted in poultry yards. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.



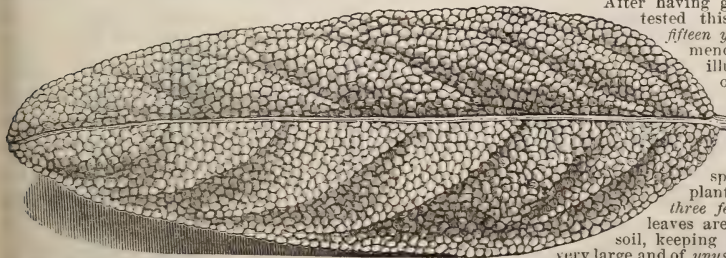
THE TRUE TARRAGON. From a Photograph.

## THE TRUE TARRAGON.

*Artemisia Dracunculus.*

The True Tarragon seldom, if ever, gives fertile seeds, but is ordinarily reproduced by division of the roots, which makes the plants grown in that way expensive. However, by a certain system of propagation we are prepared to supply it at a low price. Originally from Southern Europe, it is thoroughly appreciated by all who know it for the use of its aromatic leaves in seasoning or salads, also for Tarragon Vinegar. The foliage, if cut in autumn, can be kept in a dry state the same as other herbs. Easily grown, but succeeds best in a rather warm, dry situation. In the Northern States give some protection during winter. At the low prices named the *True Tarragon* should now find a place in every good garden, as it is very valuable for its own delightful qualities, and no other herb can rightly take its place. Price of plants, postpaid, 15 cts.; 2 for 25 cts.; 5 for 50 cts.; 12 for \$1.00.

## HOLT'S MAMMOTH SAGE.



After having grown and thoroughly tested this valuable variety for fifteen years, we can recommend it most highly. The illustration shows a leaf of average size. The plants are very strong-growing, the first season attaining one foot in height, and spreading so that a single plant covers a circular space three feet in diameter. The leaves are borne well above the soil, keeping them clean; they are very large and of unusual substance, strong in

flavor, and of superior quality. A single plant of Holt's Mammoth will yield more than a dozen plants of the common sort. It is perfectly hardy, even in New England, and attains still larger growth the second season. It never seeds.

Price: 3 plants for 25 cts.; 7 for 50 cts.; or 15 plants for \$1.00, sent safely, postpaid, by mail.

# Special Bulk Price List of Beans, Peas, and Sweet Corn.

**FOR MARKET GARDENERS AND OTHER LARGE BUYERS.**—In the general list of Vegetable Seeds (pages 17 to 79 inclusive) all our prices include prepayment by mail to any Post Office in the United States. Below we quote special low prices on Beans, Peas, and Sweet Corn, by the quart, peck, and bushel. At these prices we make **NO CHARGE FOR BAGS**, and deliver to express or freight office—the purchaser to pay transportation charges upon arrival.

## BEANS—DWARF BUSH OR SNAP. See pages 18 to 21.

	Quart.	2 Quarts.	4 Quarts.	Peck.	Bushel.
EARLY MOHAWK and Yellow Six Weeks, each,	\$0 20	\$0 30	\$0 50	\$0 90	\$3 00
ROUND YELLOW SIX WEEKS, . . . . .	20	30	50	90	3 00
Refugee and China Red-Eye, each, . . . . .	20	30	50	90	3 00
Improved Extra Early RED VALENTINE, .	20	30	50	90	3 00
BURPEE'S STRINGLESS GREEN POD,	35	65	1 25	2 25	8 00
BURPEE'S PERFECTION WAX, . . . . .	30	55	90	1 60	6 00
BURPEE'S SADDLE-BACK WAX ( <i>page 19</i> ),	35	60	1 00	1 75	6 50
Golden-Eyed Wax, . . . . .	20	35	60	1 00	3 50
Dwarf German Black Wax, . . . . .	20	30	50	90	3 25
New PROLIFIC German Black Wax, . . . . .	25	35	60	1 00	3 50
GOLDEN WAX, . . . . .	20	30	50	90	3 00
IMPROVED Rust-Proof GOLDEN WAX, .	25	35	60	1 00	3 50
Keeney's Rustless Golden Wax, . . . . .	30	50	75	1 25	4 50
DAVIS WHITE WAX ( <i>see page 20</i> ), . . . . .	30	50	75	1 25	4 50
YOSEMITE MAMMOTH WAX, . . . . .	35	65	1 10	2 00	7 50
Emperor William and Kidney Wax, each, . .	25	35	60	1 00	3 50
New Black-Eye Wax, . . . . .	25	35	60	1 00	3 50
BLUE-PODDED BUTTER, . . . . .	35	65	1 10	2 00	7 50
BEST OF ALL, . . . . .	25	35	60	1 00	3 50
Goddard, or Boston Favorite, . . . . .	20	30	50	90	3 00
White Marrowfat, . . . . .	20	30	50	90	3 00
Prolific Tree Bean, . . . . .	25	40	75	1 25	4 00
BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA ( <i>see page 21</i> ), . . . . .	35	60	1 00	1 75	6 50
Henderson's Bush Lima, . . . . .	25	40	75	1 25	4 50
Kumerle, Thorburn, or Dreer's Bush Lima, .	30	50	80	1 50	5 50
Jackson Wonder Dwarf Lima, . . . . .	25	40	75	1 25	4 50

## BEANS—POLE OR CLIMBING. See pages 22 and 23.

	Quart.	2 Quarts.	4 Quarts.	Peck.	Bushel.
WHITE CREASEBACK, or Best of All, . . . . .	\$0 30	\$0 50	\$0 80	\$1 50	\$5 50
LAZY WIFE'S ( <i>see page 22</i> ), . . . . .	30	55	1 00	1 75	6 50
BURPEE'S SUNSHINE WAX ( <i>see page 22</i> ),	35	65	1 10	2 00	7 00
GOLDEN CLUSTER WAX, . . . . .	35	50	85	1 60	6 00
Horticultural, Cranberry, or Wren's Egg, . . . .	25	40	75	1 25	4 50
Southern Prolific, or Kentucky Wonder, . . . .	25	45	80	1 35	5 00
OLD HOMESTEAD (Improved Wonder), . . . . .	30	50	85	1 60	6 00
White Dutch Case Knife, . . . . .	30	50	80	1 50	5 50
Horticultural Lima Pole Bean, . . . . .	30	45	75	1 25	4 75
EARLY BLACK LIMA ( <i>see page 23</i> ), . . . . .	40	75	1 25	2 25	8 00
WILLOW LEAF LIMA ( <i>see page 23</i> ), . . . . .	35	50	80	1 50	5 25
Small Lima, Carolina, Sieva or Sewee, . . . . .	30	45	75	1 40	5 00
LARGE WHITE LIMA, . . . . .	30	50	80	1 50	5 50
Challenger, Dreer's Improved, or Potato Lima,	30	50	80	1 50	5 50
Extra Early JERSEY LIMA, . . . . .	35	50	85	1 60	6 00
KING OF THE GARDEN LIMA, . . . . .	35	50	85	1 60	6 00
FORD'S MAMMOTH PODDED LIMA, . . . . .	35	50	85	1 60	6 00



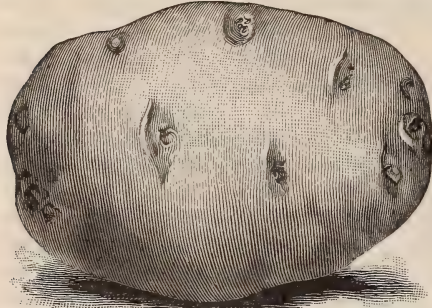
# Burpee's Best SEED POTATOES.

There is certainly "no money in potatoes" at the low prices of this year and last. Many growers will undoubtedly get discouraged, and hence it is quite likely that a much smaller acreage will be put in this year. Hence we would not be surprised to see potatoes advance in price for crop of 1897. If you intend to plant any potatoes this year, either for market or home use, it will pay to buy **Choice Northern-Grown Seed**, especially of **BURPEE'S EXTRA EARLY**, **GREAT DIVIDE**, **CARMAN No. 1**, and **BURPEE'S SUPERIOR**.

Orders accompanied by the cash will be acknowledged, and the potatoes forwarded as soon as the weather permits. Please state whether we shall ship by express or freight. To many points in the South shipments can be made most cheaply by the various lines of steamers sailing every week from Philadelphia. At the prices below we make no charge for barrels, boxes, bags, or cartage. *In case of changes, special prices will be given by letter.*

☞ **POTATOES BY MAIL.** The price of all varieties is 30 cts. per pound, or 3 pounds for 75 cts., correctly labeled, and sent, postpaid, to any address.

**LOW PRICES FOR 1897.** We offer the **BEST NORTHERN-GROWN SEED POTATOES** of all varieties on this page: **Per peck 50 cts.; per bushel (of 60 lbs.) \$1.00; per barrel (of 165 lbs.) \$2.50**—shipped either from Philadelphia or from Genesee County (near Rochester), New York. ☞ In case of changes in the market prices will be quoted by letter.



NEW POTATO.—"CARMAN NO. 1."

**CARMAN No. 1.** A grand variety, size medium to large; thick and slightly flattened, but fully one-third larger than *Rural No. 2*, a good tuber being nearly five inches long, three and a half inches broad, and one and a half inches in thickness; color of skin very pale, nearly white; eyes few and very shallow.

**RURAL NEW YORKER No. 2.** Of very distinct and handsome appearance; the tubers are of large size, with remarkable smoothness of skin; the eyes are few, distinct, and shallow. It is of extreme whiteness, both of skin and flesh, and excellent table qualities. It has great vigor in growth and solidity of tuber, which enable it to resist disease to a remarkable degree.

**TRUE EARLY ROSE.** The **EARLY ROSE** is the standard early Potato, and is so well known as to need no description. We are prepared to furnish fine **Maine** and **Prince Edward Island Early Rose** in large lots, at special prices, subject to market variations.

**EXTRA EARLY VERMONT.** Similar in color, form, and general appearance to the **Early Rose**, from which it cannot be distinguished.

**BEAUTY OF HEBRON.** Very rapid and vigorous grower, ripening as early as **Early Rose**, which it resembles, but frequently exceeds in productiveness and excellence for table use, either baked or boiled.

**WHITE STAR.** A certain cropper, and one of the most profitable sorts to grow for the market. Whether baked or boiled, its purity of color, fine texture and flavor are attractive. The tubers are oblong.

**BURPEE'S EMPIRE STATE.** The potatoes are oblong in shape, of large size, smooth, and very handsome. It is a seedling raised by E. L. Cox from the only seed ball he ever succeeded in finding on the **White Elephant**. It is rich and delicate in flavor, remarkably free from rot, is never hollow, and cooks evenly through without any coarseness. It yields large crops and is easily dug.

**THE FREEMAN.** A new early Potato that has been widely advertised and generally given satisfaction.



**BURPEE'S SUPERIOR.** COPYRIGHTED BY W.A. BURPEE '93

## BURPEE'S SUPERIOR POTATO.

As shown in the illustration, it is oblong in form and of even thickness throughout, as the ends are sharply rounded,—being almost square. It has but few eyes, and these are quite shallow,—nearly even with the surface, so there is no waste in paring for the table. It is **SUPERIOR** (well worthy its name) in its excellent quality when cooked for use. Many of the large late varieties are quite hard and watery when first dug, and do not attain good cooking condition until they have become partly dry, while the **SUPERIOR** is in excellent condition for cooking from the time it is dug until late in the spring.

The vines are of strong growth and at **FORDHOOK** are free from blight, while the tubers are smooth, with perfect freedom from rot; always of excellent keeping quality. The tubers of this variety were in good eating condition some time after we had dug the first of the early crop of **Burpee's Extra Early**,—see next page.

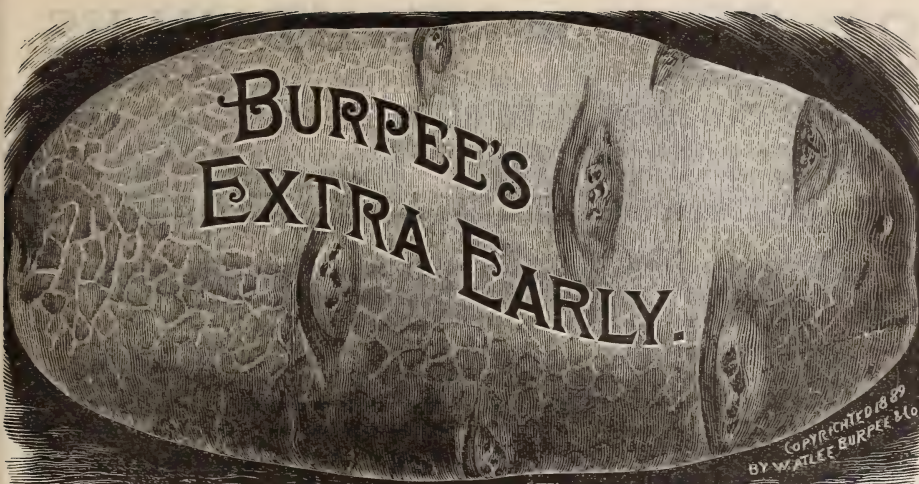
**IRISH DAISY.** A very productive late variety of handsome appearance, but poor quality.

**BROWNELL'S WINNER.** Of superior quality, either baked or boiled; it cooks even, white, and dry. The vines are strong and healthy, and well calculated to resist the potato beetle. The tubers grow large, long, oval, slightly flattened, are very smooth and handsome, with few eyes. The tubers grow compact in the hills, with few small ones. The color is a light rose-pink. It matures medium late, and is a great producer.

**EARLY PURITAN.** Of handsome, oblong shape; the skin and flesh are pure white. It cooks dry and floury, and is of excellent quality. It is very productive; the vines are of vigorous, upright growth, and the potatoes mature as early as the **Early Rose**.

**THE POLARIS.** Although of distinct origin, this and the **Early Puritan** seem to be entirely identical.

**TWENTY PER CENT. DISCOUNT ON ALL SEEDS IN PACKETS AND OUNCES.** This is another way of expressing our liberal offer for 1897. ☞ For full particulars, see page 3. ☞



# BURPEE'S EXTRA EARLY.

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## BURPEE'S EXTRA EARLY

is from ten days to two weeks earlier than *Early Rose*, or *Beauty of Hebron*,

while **fully one week earlier than the Early Ohio and nearly twice as productive.** The potatoes are uniformly of good size, free from rough or scabby tubers; oblong in shape, very smooth, eyes set well on the surface, skin creamy-white, slightly shaded with pink; the flesh is pure white, remarkably fine-grained, and of the *very best table quality.* The tubers grow very compactly in the hill, with strong foliage of dark green. It is a sure cropper, *immensely productive*, and will undoubtedly become the **standard extra early Potato.** Per lb 30 cts.; 3 lbs. for 75 cts., postpaid.



By express or freight, purchaser to pay transportation charges upon receipt of the potatoes: **Per peck 50 cts.; one-half bushel 75 cts.; per bushel of 60 pounds, \$1.25; per barrel of 165 pounds, \$3.00; two barrels for \$5.50. ORDER EARLY.**



THE GREAT DIVIDE POTATO. *An Average Tuber, from a Photograph, reduced in size.*

## GREAT DIVIDE

is the most robust-growing, heaviest-yielding, longest-keeping, and best-shipping main-crop Potato.

The vines are vigorous, stout, and erect; foliage plentiful, with dark-green leaves, withstanding drought, extreme heat, and attacks of insects better than any other variety; perfectly free from disease, such as scab or blight. The tubers are of oblong, round form; eyes plentiful and on the surface, giving a handsome appearance, with *almost no waste in paring.* Skin very white, firm, and tough. Grows compactly in the hill, and, while the tubers are well under the ground, they are borne near the surface of the soil. Size large to very large, with scarcely a small one. In season it is from medium to late. *Its table qualities are unrivaled.* The flesh is clear white, and when baked or boiled breaks open like a snowball,—white and floury. It cooks finely and very quickly, with a delicious, nutty flavor.



Prices same as for Burpee's Extra Early.

# 87 Superior VEGETABLES.

An Unequaled RECORD. In Twenty Years all these were

Introduced First by W. ATLEE BURPEE & CO., Philadelphia, Pa.

The Eighty-seven Superior VEGETABLES named below make an unequaled Record of well-known varieties,—all introduced into cultivation by us and described faithfully on the preceding pages. Grouped together, they emphasize our position as the introducers of more meritorious NOVELTIES of real worth than any other American seedsmen.

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**BURPEE'S SEEDS are the BEST that Grow!**





Good farming, to be profitable, is impossible without good Farm Seeds. The large trade we have done in this line for some years has gained a national reputation for our Farm Seeds. Our seed grain is *grown especially for seed*. It is all selected, well cleaned, and of the finest quality. Our prices include *bags* and delivery to any freight depot, express, or vessel in Philadelphia.

W. ATLEE BURPEE & CO., Seed Merchants, Philadelphia, Pa.

## AUSTRALIAN SALT BUSH

A Valuable Forage Plant for Alkali Soils, and  
for All Regions Subject to Periodic Drought.

It grows on lands that will produce no other vegetation, providing from twenty to thirty tons of green, nutritious food per acre. Specially adapted to the unirrigated lands of the arid and semi-arid regions of the West and to all regions where there is a deficiency of rainfall.

**AUSTRALIAN SALT BUSH** was introduced into the United States by the UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, and has proved a boon to stock raisers on the great sheep and cattle ranges of California. In the semi-desert regions of the Pacific slope many acres of waste lands have been reclaimed and made profitable through the agency of this plant.

**AUSTRALIAN SALT BUSH** has for many years been the mainstay of herdsmen on the great interior sheep and cattle ranges of Australia. In the semi-desert of Australia, South Africa, and on the alkali lands of Western America, where irrigation is impracticable, it thrives and produces large crops. It flourishes where grasses and other forage plants will not grow, furnishing enormous quantities of nutritive food for stock. It may be sown among our native grasses, and when so used increases the appetite and improves the condition of grazing animals.

In the company of PROFESSOR E. W. HILGARD, of the University of California, we had the pleasure of examining the thorough trials at Berkeley, Cal., in June last. Returning home, we were pleased to find that **THE AUSTRALIAN SALT BUSH**, from seed planted in the open ground, had made an equally dense, luxuriant carpet of green foliage at FORDHOOK FARM. The plants have a prostrate habit, covering the ground with a green cushion six inches thick. Each plant sends out a mat of runners for several feet in every direction; the small, narrow leaves are set thickly on numerous small, slender branches. When cut it soon reproduces itself from the same root, while it grows readily from seed merely dropped on the surface of the soil, and requires no cultivation. It is a perennial herb, very much liked by sheep, cattle, horses, and hogs. At the Experiment Station of Tulare, Cal., single plants grown on the worst alkali ground have reached a diameter of sixteen feet in one season. It succeeds everywhere.

**Test AUSTRALIAN SALT BUSH This Season.** One pound of seed will plant an acre. Sow after the ground has become warm and all danger of frost is past. Mix the seed with ten times its bulk of loam, sand, or land plaster, and sow broadcast, after which cover lightly with a brush harrow or roll lightly. The seed germinates quickly, and the plants will soon take possession of the ground. Or the seed may be sown in a hot-bed, cold frame, seed-boxes, or in a protected garden-bed, and the seedlings transplanted when two inches high.

We are **HEADQUARTERS** for the True **AUSTRALIAN SALT BUSH** (*Atriplex semibaccatum*), from pedigree stock seed, introduced by the University of California, and grown under contract for us in California.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.

**DWARF ESSEX RAPE.** The true Dwarf Essex Rape is invaluable as a fattening food for pasturing sheep in autumn. It is particularly adapted as a "catch crop," for it grows best late in the season. In the Northern States it can be sown at any time from May until the end of August, but in the Southern States it should not be sown until September or October for winter pasture. Its fattening properties are said to be twice as good as clover. Sow ten to twelve pounds per acre broadcast, or four to five pounds per acre in drills fifteen inches apart. Per pkt. of 2 ozs. 10 cts.; per lb 30 cts., postpaid, by mail. By express or freight: 15 cts. per lb; 25 lbs. for \$2.50; 50 lbs. for \$4.00.

**WELCOME OATS.** Many of our customers will be glad to know that we have a limited supply of **The True WELCOME OATS**, grown in Northern New York the past season direct from imported seed. As long as our stock lasts we will sell these at the following prices: Per two-ounce pkt. 10 cts., or 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per lb 30 cts., or 3 lbs. for 75 cts., postpaid. By express or freight: Per peck of 8 lbs. 60 cts.; per legal bushel of 32 lbs. \$1.75. Two bushels or more at \$1.60 per legal bushel of 32 lbs.—this is, of course, much less than a measured bushel.



# PEDRICK Perfected GOLDEN BEAUTY CORN.

GEORGE R. PEDRICK, of Pedricktown, is well known throughout Southern New Jersey as one of the most enterprising and progressive farmers. He is always on the alert to try any new grain that gives promise of being really valuable. Many years ago he bought seed from us of **THE GOLDEN BEAUTY CORN**. Ever since, by a careful system of selection, he has steadily improved that strain until now it is well worthy of introduction under the name of the "**PEDRICK PERFECTED**" Golden Beauty.

To describe this improved Corn it is only necessary to refer to the description below of the **GOLDEN BEAUTY**, and to say that all the good points therein named are intensified in the "**Pedrick Perfected**." The long, handsome ears contain twelve to sixteen rows of *extra large*, bright-yellow grains, filling out the entire length of the cob.

While the cob of the original **GOLDEN BEAUTY** is small, the cob of this improved strain is even smaller, and we think a *bushel of ears will give a greater measure of shelled corn than any other variety*. We have again engaged all the selected seed Mr. Pedrick could save, but this is **only 400 bushels**,—and after this stock is exhausted no more can be had.

**Per pkt. 10 cts.; per lb. 30 cts., or 3 lbs. for 75 cts., postpaid.** By express or freight: **4 quarts for 60 cts.; per peck, \$1.00; per bushel, \$3.00.**



## BURPEE'S GOLDEN BEAUTY CORN.

The productiveness of the Golden Beauty is due to the economical shape of the corn and the fact that a large proportion of the stalks produce two fine ears. *It is the largest-grained and handsomest yellow corn we have ever seen, until we became acquainted with the Pedrick Perfected, described above.* The ears are of perfect shape, with ten to fourteen straight rows of brightest golden-yellow grains, of remarkable size, and completely filled out to the extreme end of cob. The cobs are unusually small; when broken in half, the grains will generally reach across. The richness of color and fine quality of grain make it very superior for grinding into meal. The ears are easily shelled, although the kernels are firm on the ear, and in every respect present as perfect a type as could be desired. The stalks take a strong hold in the ground; grow vigorously to a height of eight to ten feet. In 1885 C. W. Holman's, West Willington, Conn., prize crop was **158 1/2 bushels shelled corn on one acre**. Price 10 cts. per package; 25 cts. per lb; 3 lbs. for 65 cts., postpaid, by mail. By express or freight: **Per peck, 60 cts.; per bushel, \$1.75; per sack of 2 bushels, \$3.25; 10 bushels or more at \$1.50 per bushel.**

## CHESTER COUNTY MAMMOTH.

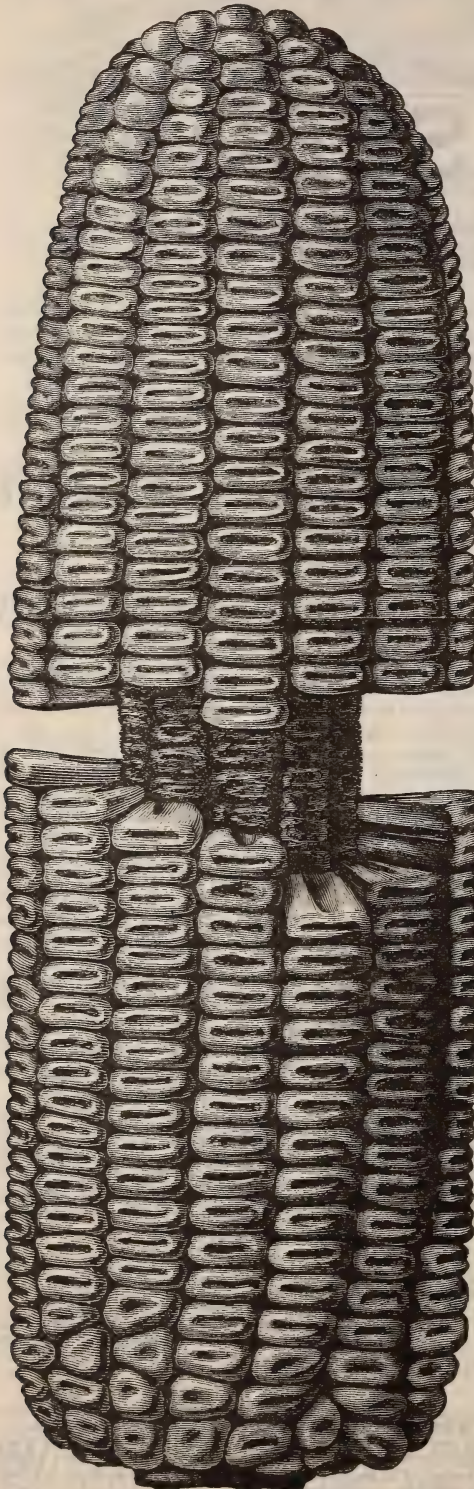
It yields, under good cultivation, from *one hundred to one hundred and thirty bushels shelled corn per acre*. The ears are very large, containing fourteen to thirty-two rows of medium-sized yellow grains. It furnishes a large amount of fodder, growing twelve to sixteen feet high. It is undoubtedly one of the best yellow varieties for good land in this latitude and the South, but cannot be relied upon to mature sufficiently early for the North. **Prices same as for Burpee's Golden Beauty.**

## HICKORY KING CORN.

This white field corn has the *largest grains*, with the *smallest cob*, of any white corn ever introduced. So large are the grains and so extremely small the cob that on an ear broken in half a *single grain will almost completely cover the cob section*. Of strong, vigorous growth, the stalks take a firm hold in the ground and stand upright, resisting the severest storms. The stalks bear generally two good ears each, and occasionally three. It yields splendid crops on light soil, and is undoubtedly the best and most productive white field corn for the South. We do not, however, consider it a safe crop to be grown north of Pennsylvania. **Prices same as Burpee's Golden Beauty.**

## EARLY CANADA YELLOW FLINT.

We consider our selected stock the best strain of hard-grained, eight-rowed yellow Flint Corn in cultivation. It matures in about ninety days, and while not so productive as the varieties of Dent Corn, is valuable for the short seasons of the far North, and also for second planting. **Prices same as for Burpee's Golden Beauty.**



BURPEE'S GOLDEN BEAUTY CORN

# Thoroughbred FIELD CORN.

The well-known varieties described briefly below have been grown specially for seed, **well-cured and true to name.** We sell the best seed of each variety at the following—

**PRICES:** Per pkt. 10 cts.; per lb 25 cts.; 3 lbs. for 65 cts.; by mail. By express or freight: **Peck 50 cts.; per bushel \$1.00; per sack of two bushels \$3.00.**  
**Ten bushels or more at \$1.40 per bushel.** Sacks included; delivered f. o. b. cars at Philadelphia.

**WHITE CAP DENT.** See illustration. This famous new variety, first introduced by us, possesses the earliness of the *Pride of the North* combined with ears of very large size. Our grower says he will guarantee this Corn to mature in *ninety to ninety-five days* after planting and to grow a larger crop on poor soil than any other Corn in the world. The handsome grains are of true Dent type, sweet and nutritious. Grows six to seven feet in height; abundant foliage; large, fine ear, eight to ten inches long, well filled to the tip, sixteen to eighteen rowed; ears two inches in diameter, with small cob; grains large, deep; outer end of the grain white, dented, balance of grain amber-yellow. Grains flat and set squarely together, filling the entire surface of the ear.

## WATERLOO EXTRA EARLY DENT.

We introduced this valuable **NEW EARLY DENT CORN** in 1893. It was discovered in Nebraska, where it was brought by an emigrant fifteen years ago, who says of it: "FIRST, it is a ninety-day Corn, and when *Pride of the North* is ready to husk I am always ready to go at my crop. SECOND, it yields more shelled corn to the bushel (seventy pounds of ears) than any other variety, excepting *Pride of the North*, but it should not be compared with that sort, because it will outyield it by thirty bushels per acre. I never sell any **WATERLOO CORN** on the ear, because elevators take seventy pounds of ears for fifty-six pounds of corn, and my corn will shell sixty pounds every time."

**MASTODON EARLY DENT.** Descriptive of this Corn we quote the following: "I claim that it is the largest-eared early Dent Corn ever seen in this section of the country, and the largest grain of any early Dent Corn. It grows strong, rank, quick, and makes the finest appearing shelled corn of them all, being purely Dent, of two shades of white and yellow. To convince your customers that it will ripen with them, just say that it was grown within eight miles of Lake Erie."

**LEAMING IMPROVED DENT.** Ears of good size, set low down, and nearly always two good ears to each stalk; small, red cob, with deep grains, of a rich golden color. It withstands severe drought by reason of its earliness in maturing, strong and vigorous growth, and its stocky and leafy nature.

**KING OF THE EARLIES.** The originator says: "This is the earliest and finest Dent Corn—bright-orange color, short, leafy stalks, medium-sized ears, small, red cobs, deep grains. Adapted for planting in high latitudes, and will mature a crop farther north than any other known variety; will shell easier and can be husked earlier than any other known variety."

**PRIDE OF THE NORTH.** Planted as late as July 4th, it has matured fully by October 1st. The ears have from fourteen to sixteen rows, and are eight to ten inches in length, slightly tapering. The kernels are set closely together on the cob; stalks usually grow six to eight feet in height.

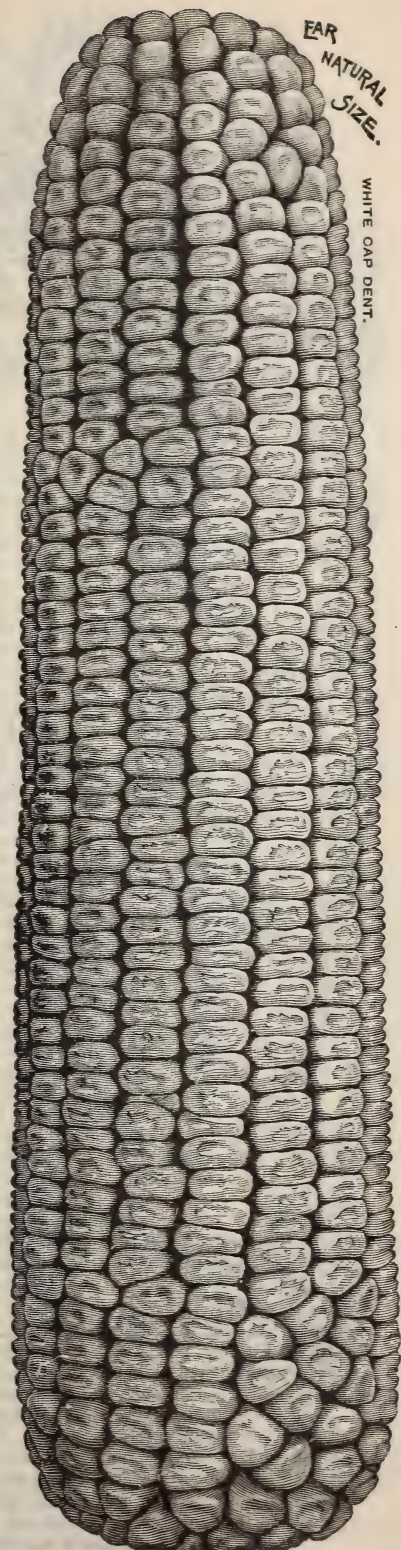
**SUGAR CORN, for Green Fodder.** This is better than any field corn for green fodder crops, from the fact that it is so very sweet and nutritious that cattle will eat every part both of the stalks and leaves. **Prices same as quoted for Field Corn at top of page.**

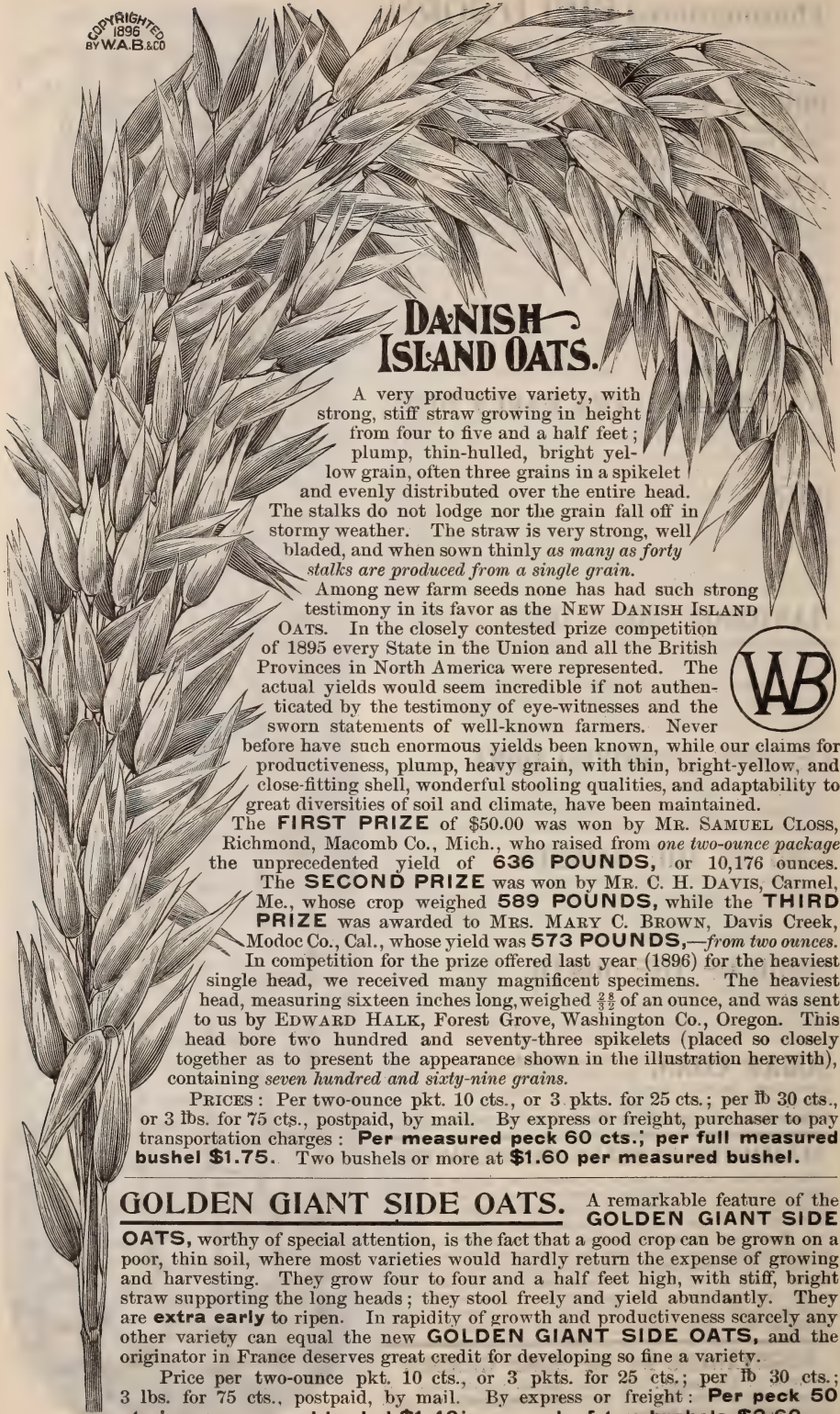
## MAMMOTH RUSSIAN SUNFLOWER.

Single heads measure twelve to twenty-two inches in diameter, and contain an immense quantity of seed, which is valued by all farmers who have tried it as an excellent and cheap food for fowls. It is the best egg-producing food known for poultry. Every farmer should plant some of the seed in any waste piece of ground, any time from early spring up to the middle of July. It is a wonderful improvement on the old native sunflower. Four quarts of seed will plant an acre. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; pint 20 cts.; per quart 35 cts.; 2 quarts 65 cts., *by mail, postpaid.* By express or freight: Per quart 20 cts.; 2 quarts 35 cts.; 4 quarts 60 cts.; per 90 cts.; per bushel \$2.75.

## VEGETABLES for the HOME GARDEN

is a book of 125 pages, that every farmer should read. It gives much information and costs only **ten cents**, postpaid to any address. See page 3.





## DANISH ISLAND OATS.

A very productive variety, with strong, stiff straw growing in height from four to five and a half feet; plump, thin-hulled, bright yellow grain, often three grains in a spikelet and evenly distributed over the entire head. The stalks do not lodge nor the grain fall off in stormy weather. The straw is very strong, well bladed, and when sown thinly as many as forty stalks are produced from a single grain.

Among new farm seeds none has had such strong testimony in its favor as the NEW DANISH ISLAND OATS. In the closely contested prize competition of 1895 every State in the Union and all the British Provinces in North America were represented. The actual yields would seem incredible if not authenticated by the testimony of eye-witnesses and the sworn statements of well-known farmers. Never before have such enormous yields been known, while our claims for productiveness, plump, heavy grain, with thin, bright-yellow, and close-fitting shell, wonderful stooing qualities, and adaptability to great diversities of soil and climate, have been maintained.

The **FIRST PRIZE** of \$50.00 was won by MR. SAMUEL CLOSS, Richmond, Macomb Co., Mich., who raised from one two-ounce package the unprecedented yield of **636 POUNDS**, or 10,176 ounces.

The **SECOND PRIZE** was won by MR. C. H. DAVIS, Carmel, Me., whose crop weighed **589 POUNDS**, while the **THIRD PRIZE** was awarded to MRS. MARY C. BROWN, Davis Creek, Modoc Co., Cal., whose yield was **573 POUNDS**,—from two ounces.

In competition for the prize offered last year (1896) for the heaviest single head, we received many magnificent specimens. The heaviest head, measuring sixteen inches long, weighed  $\frac{2}{3}$  of an ounce, and was sent to us by EDWARD HALK, Forest Grove, Washington Co., Oregon. This head bore two hundred and seventy-three spikelets (placed so closely together as to present the appearance shown in the illustration herewith), containing seven hundred and sixty-nine grains.

PRICES: Per two-ounce pkt. 10 cts., or 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per lb 30 cts., or 3 lbs. for 75 cts., postpaid, by mail. By express or freight, purchaser to pay transportation charges: **Per measured peck 60 cts.; per full measured bushel \$1.75.** Two bushels or more at **\$1.60 per measured bushel.**

## GOLDEN GIANT SIDE OATS.

A remarkable feature of the **GOLDEN GIANT SIDE OATS**, worthy of special attention, is the fact that a good crop can be grown on a poor, thin soil, where most varieties would hardly return the expense of growing and harvesting. They grow four to four and a half feet high, with stiff, bright straw supporting the long heads; they stool freely and yield abundantly. They are **extra early** to ripen. In rapidity of growth and productiveness scarcely any other variety can equal the new **GOLDEN GIANT SIDE OATS**, and the originator in France deserves great credit for developing so fine a variety.

Price per two-ounce pkt. 10 cts., or 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per lb 30 cts.; 3 lbs. for 75 cts., postpaid, by mail. By express or freight: **Per peck 50 cts.; per measured bushel \$1.40; per sack of two bushels \$2.60.**



**TEOSINTE.** *Teosinte (Reana Latuvians)* somewhat resembles Indian Corn in appearance, but the leaves are much longer and broader, and the stalks contain sweeter sap. In its perfection it produces a great number of shoots, growing twelve feet high, very thickly covered with leaves, yielding such an abundance of forage that one plant is considered to be sufficient to feed a pair of cattle for twenty-four hours. In the South it surpasses either Corn or Sorghum as a soiling or fodder-plant. Eighty-five stalks have been grown from one seed, attaining a height of eleven feet.

In this immediate vicinity, planted July 3d, it produced from one seed twenty-seven stalks, and attained a height of seven feet by September 10th, making a luxuriant growth of leaves, which the horses and cattle ate as freely as young sugar corn. About three pounds of seed are required per acre. Price of seed: Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.40, postpaid.

**SOJA BEAN.** This is the variety which has been extensively advertised as the so-called **German Coffee Berry!** It is recommended, however, as really a useful forage plant, and is worthy of a fair trial. Per pkt. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 35 cts., postpaid.

### CHUFAS, or EARTH ALMOND.

A species of "grass nut" (*Cyperus esculentus*) much used to fatten hogs. The nuts grow under ground, very near the surface, easily reached by pigs or poultry. Easily and cheaply grown, abundant in yield, eaten greedily by hogs, which take on firm fat very rapidly from them. Plant in April, ten to twelve inches apart, in two and one-half to three-foot rows. Cover lightly. If the seed is very dry, soak well before planting, to secure a good stand. They mature about September 1st, and lie in the soil till wanted. One peck of seed per acre. Per pkt. 10 cts.; pint, by mail, 30 cts. By express: Per quart 25 cts.; peck \$1.25; per bushel \$4.00.

### LATHYRUS SYLVESTRIS WAGNERII.

This is a variety of the wild flat pea of Southern and Central Europe, improved by selection and cultivation. The plant has been recommended highly for lands too poor to pay the cost of cultivation, for worn-out pastures and waste places about the farm, but as a forage crop it cannot compare with *Indian Corn*, *Crimson Clover*, *Cow-peas*, *Teosinte*, etc. Prices: Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 20 cts.; per lb \$2.10, by mail, postpaid.

### SILVER HULL BUCKWHEAT.

This variety continues in bloom longer than the common Buckwheat, and is therefore better for bees. The flour is whiter and husks thinner. Peck 40 cts.; bushel \$1.25. Per sack of two bushels \$2.25. By mail, per pkt. 10 cts.; per lb 25 cts.; 3 lbs. 65 cts.

### NEW JAPANESE BUCKWHEAT.

This is the most productive of all Buckwheat and decidedly the most profitable variety to raise. Sown the same day as the *Silver Hull*, it ripened a week earlier and yielded much more again. From ONE GRAIN planted in a garden the product was 850 RIPE KERNELS. The kernels are at least twice the size of those of any other variety; in color they are also distinct, being of a rich, dark shade of brown. The flour made from it is equal in quality to that of any other Buckwheat, while it is much more productive, and succeeds well as far north as New Hampshire. As the straw is heavier and it branches more, it does not need to be sown so thickly as other kinds. Per package 10 cts.; per lb. 25 cts.; 3 lbs. for 65 cts., postpaid, by mail. By express: Per peck 40 cts.; per bushel \$1.25; per sack of 2 bushels \$2.25.

### SUGAR CANE.

**Early Amber.** It grows usually eleven and twelve feet high and stands up well. When planted between the 1st and 10th of May, the seed ripens almost invariably, thus giving a double crop. The seed is highly relished by poultry and all kinds of stock. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per lb 25 cts.; 3 lbs. 65 cts., postpaid. By express: Quart 20 cts.; peck \$1.00; per bushel of 56 lbs. \$3.00.

**Early Orange.** The Cane growers South give the *Early Orange* the preference. Per lb 25 cts.; 3 lbs. 65 cts., postpaid. By express: Peck \$1.00; per bushel \$3.00.

### OSAGE ORANGE.

Per lb 40 cts. Postage 10 cts. per lb extra.

Other seed for hedges, as well as seeds of Evergreen and Deciduous Trees, Fruits, etc., can be supplied.



A SINGLE PLANT OF TEOSINTE.

### SACCALINE.

Two years ago we warned our readers against the forage plant *Polygonum sachalinense*, advertised under the more euphonious trade name of "SACCALINE."

The reports of various Experiment Stations confirm our warning. In addition to these universal failures, the reports of scientists throughout the country establish the fact that "SACCALINE" is comparatively worthless as a forage plant in America. Per pkt. 10 cts.

### KAFFIR CORN.

The heads are long and perfectly erect, well filled with white grain, flecked with reddish-brown spots. The average height of growth on good, strong land is five and one-half to six feet. The seed heads grow from ten to twelve inches in length, and the product of grain on good land reaches easily fifty to sixty bushels per acre. The whole stalk, as well as the blades, cures into excellent fodder. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per lb 25 cts., postpaid. By express, 50 cts. per peck; \$1.50 per bushel.

### IMPROVED EVERGREEN BROOM CORN

The best for general cultivation; brush firm, of good length, and a bright-green color. Peck 75 cts.; per bushel \$2.50; 2 bushels \$4.50.

### SPANISH PEANUT.

A desirable variety because it is early and a good bearer; its growth is perfectly erect. Planted in April they ripen in August, and planted as late as July 1st will mature full crops before frost.

The pea is smaller than the *Virginia Peanut*, but fills out well, makes no pods. Can be planted close in the row, yielding largely per acre. This variety can be grown in the NORTH; it has yielded well at FORDHOOK FARM in Bucks County, Penn'a. Per pint 25 cts.; quart 45 cts., postpaid; per package 10 cts.





ORCHARD GRASS.

## Extra Clean GRASS SEEDS.

In the following list we have described briefly the best Grasses for general use. Our limited space does not permit extended descriptions and illustrations, but the seeds are of **best grades only and extra clean**;—entirely free from all noxious and foreign seeds. The prices are subject to variations according to the market. *Special prices will be quoted at any time, by mail.* At prices per pound quoted below, we send seed by mail, postpaid; larger quantities by freight or express at purchaser's expense.

- Herd, or Red Top Grass** (*Agrostis vulgaris*). A valuable native permanent grass, as a mixture in meadows, pastures, or lawns, growing in almost any soil, moist or dry, and standing our hot climate. 14 lbs. to the bushel; 1½ bushels to the acre; for lawns, 3 bushels to the acre. Per lb 20 cts.; bushel \$1.25; per sack (50 lbs.) \$4.00.
- Orchard Grass** (*Dactylis glomerata*). One of the most desirable pasture grasses for stock and for shady places; not so exhaustive to the soil as *Timothy*. Choicest re-cleaned seed, 14 lbs. to the bushel; 3 bushels to the acre. Per lb 35 cts., postpaid; bushel \$2.75.
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- Sheep's Fescue** (*Festuca ovina*). An excellent grass for sheep pastures. About 12 lbs. to the bushel; 2½ bushels to the acre. Per lb 30 cts.; per bushel \$1.75.

## Grass Mixture for Permanent Pastures.

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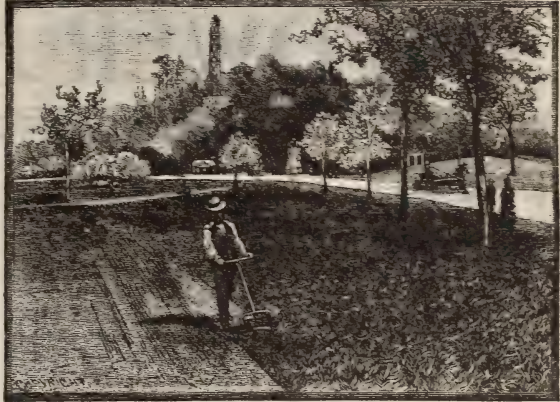
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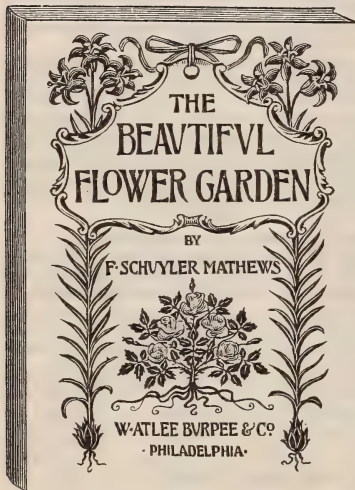


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SWEET PEAS, except where priced, are all 5 cts. per packet.

	Per oz.	¼ lb.	Per lb.
<b>Invincible Scarlet.</b> The old scarlet, . . . . .	\$0 10	\$0 20	\$0 50
<b>Isa Eckford.</b> White, suffused rosy-pink, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Juanita.</b> Our introduction of 1896,—see page 97. Per pkt. 10 cts., . . . . .	25		
* <b>Katherine Tracy.</b> Soft but brilliant pink, . . . . .	10	30	1 00
<b>Lady Beaconsfield.</b> Standard salmon-pink; wings primrose-yellow, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Lady Penzance.</b> Standard orange-pink; wings deep, pure pink, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Lemon Queen.</b> Delicate blush, tinted lemon, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Little Dorrit.</b> See <i>Eckford's Novelties</i> . Per pkt. 10 cts., . . . . .	40		
* <b>Lottie Eckford.</b> White ground, suffused with lavender-blue, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Lovely.</b> See <i>Eckford's Novelties for 1897</i> . Per pkt. 15 cts., . . . . .			
<b>Madame Carnot.</b> Mauve standard; blue wings, . . . . .	10	25	70
* <b>Maid of Honor.</b> See <i>Burpee's Novelties for 1897</i> . Per pkt. 15 cts., . . . . .			
* <b>Mars.</b> See <i>Eckford's Novelties for 1897</i> . Per pkt. 15 cts., . . . . .			
<b>Mauve Queen.</b> Standard mauve; wings light blue, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Meteor.</b> Standard bright orange-salmon; wings pink, veined, . . . . .	15	35	1 25
<b>Miss Hunt.</b> Standard pale carmine-salmon; wings soft pink, . . . . .	10	25	75
* <b>Monarch.</b> Deep bronzy-maroon and dark blue, . . . . .	10	20	50
* <b>Mrs. Eckford.</b> Beautifully shaded primrose-yellow, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Mrs. Gladstone.</b> A lovely soft pink, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Mrs. Jos. Chamberlain.</b> Striped, bright rose on white. Pkt. 10 cts., . . . . .	15	35	1 25
<b>Mrs. Sankey.</b> Flowers white; seeds black, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Novelty.</b> Standard bright orange-rose; wings light mauve, . . . . .	15	35	1 25
<b>Oddity.</b> Our introduction of 1896,—see page 97. Per pkt. 10 cts., . . . . .	25		
<b>Orange Prince.</b> Standard orange-salmon; wings bright pink, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Ovid.</b> Rose-pink, margined with deeper rose, . . . . .	10	25	70
<b>Painted Lady.</b> The old pink and white, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Peach Blossom.</b> Standard salmon-pink; wings soft pink, . . . . .	10	25	70
* <b>Prima Donna.</b> See <i>Eckford's Novelties for 1897</i> . Per pkt. 15 cts., . . . . .			
<b>Primrose.</b> Pale primrose-yellow, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Princess Beatrice.</b> A popular rosy-pink, . . . . .	10	20	55
<b>Princess Louise.</b> Standard rosy-pink; wings lilac-blue, . . . . .	10	20	55
<b>Princess May.</b> Light lavender; flowers small, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Princess Victoria.</b> Standard bright scarlet; wings rosy-mauve, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Princess of Wales.</b> Striped mauve on white ground, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Purple Prince.</b> Standard maroon, shaded bronze; wings purple, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Queen of England.</b> Pure white; notched at top of standard, . . . . .	10	20	50
<b>Queen of the Isles.</b> White stripes on bright crimson-scarlet, . . . . .	10	20	50
* <b>Ramona.</b> Our introduction of 1896,—see page 97. Per pkt. 10 cts., . . . . .	25		
<b>Red Riding-Hood.</b> See <i>Novelties for 1897</i> . Per pkt. 10 cts., . . . . .			
<b>Rising Sun.</b> Orange and rose, shaded carmine, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Royal Robe.</b> Standard rich but delicate pink; wings soft blush-pink, . . . . .	10	25	75
* <b>Royal Rose.</b> See <i>Eckford's Novelties for 1897</i> . Per pkt. 15 cts., . . . . .			
* <b>Senator.</b> Bright brown and chocolate, shaded and striped on white, . . . . .	10	20	55
* <b>Splendid Lilac.</b> Light lilac, . . . . .	10	20	55
* <b>Splendor.</b> Superb bright rose, shaded crimson, . . . . .	10	20	50
* <b>Stanley.</b> Rich dark maroon. "This is by far the finest dark variety," . . . . .	10	25	75
<b>The Queen.</b> Mauve and pink, . . . . .	10	20	55
* <b>Venus.</b> Lovely salmon-buff, shaded rosy-pink, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Vesuvius.</b> Violet, with crimson spots, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>Violet Queen.</b> Standard mauve; wings light violet, . . . . .	10	20	60
* <b>Waverly.</b> Standard rosy-claret; wings light blue, . . . . .	10	20	60
<b>White.</b> The old pure white, . . . . .	10	20	50

Each variety, 5 cents per packet, except where otherwise priced.

\*The varieties marked with an asterisk (\*) produce flowers of good substance and largest size,—being of the true *grandiflora* type. The standards of these are erect (not reflexed) and fully expanded,—some daintily hooded,—all of the largest size and most refined form. All these are entirely free from notches either at top or side of the standard. Some of the other Sweet Peas are very fine,—of large size and beautiful color, but for one reason or another are not, according to our critical standard, entitled to be starred.

For instance, DAYBREAK is very beautiful and of good size, but, like AMERICA and EMILY HENDERSON, has a slight notch at top of the standard, as will be seen by the illustration of a single flower on page 98. W. A. B. & Co.



A SINGLE PLANT OF CUPID.—Grown in a pot,—engraved from a Photograph.

# The First Dwarf Sweet Pea,—CUPID

Grows Only Five Inches High! The Floral Wonder of the Age!

Prior to introduction, this world-famous novelty won the highest honors possible in Europe. We had plants grown in pots exhibited at **The Royal Horticultural Society**, in Drill Hall, London, England, June 25, 1895, where, by *unanimous vote of the Committee*, it received an **Award of Merit**,—the highest honor that could be conferred.

CUPID was exhibited in Paris, France, on July 11th, at an exhibition of the **Société Nationale d'Horticulture**, *Rue de Grenelle*, where it received a *first-class certificate*.



CUPID comes absolutely true from seed. Again this season, in our own crops and in other crops inspected by us both in California and Canada, there was not a single plant that showed any variation either in habit or color.

CUPID excites wonder wherever seen,—such a Sweet Pea, yet in habit so unlike a Sweet Pea! It grows only five inches high. The flowers are of fine substance, full size, and delicious fragrance, borne two and three on the end of each stem,—all opening about the same time.

CUPID grown in a twelve-inch pot just fills the top; with its blooms of glistening whiteness and leaves of deepest green, it is wonderfully attractive in the house. In the garden it will be used chiefly as a border plant, for it will bear trimming to just the proper shape.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per ounce 30 cts.; 4 ozs., or more, at 25 cts. per oz.

**MESSRS. HURST & SON**, the well-known Seedsmen of London, who were our agents for Great Britain, and whose sales of CUPID amounted to many thousands of packets, courteously wrote, under date of June 17, 1896:—

“We hope you are satisfied with the way in which we have worked this Cupid Sweet Pea. Our principal, Mr. Sherwood, has grown a large number in pots at his private residence, which are now flowering in perfection, and he is very pleased with it. It is certainly in every respect all that you represented it to be, and we think the British Public will be, or at all events ought to be, perfectly satisfied with this Novelty, and if the pink comes up to it, we anticipate a very large sale for it.”

**MESSRS. ROGERS BROS.**, of Jefferson County, N. Y., the extensive pea growers, August 6, 1896, wrote:—  
**MESSRS. W. ATLEE BURPEE & Co.**, Philadelphia, Pa.

*Gentlemen*:—Regarding Cupid Sweet Pea we would say, each year we test carefully new varieties of Sweet Peas, and, of course, had Cupid. It was our intention to instruct the boys to take particular pains in planting Cupid, but overlooked to do so, and were surprised to find it growing equally as well as any of the other varieties. Cupid has done well here, making a good, dense growth, and flowering abundantly.

Yours very truly, **ROGERS BROS.**

**How to Grow “CUPID.”** Cupid is the first of a new race of dwarf Sweet Peas which will become immensely popular for beds or borders, as well as for pot plants. As the result of numerous experiments under all conditions, we have published a comprehensive circular entitled “**Just how to Grow CUPID**,” which we will mail **FREE** to any of our customers. **A packet of CUPID**, this season (price 10 cts.), contains about fifty seeds. An ounce contains about three hundred seeds.

# Burpee's 1896 Set of New SWEET PEAS

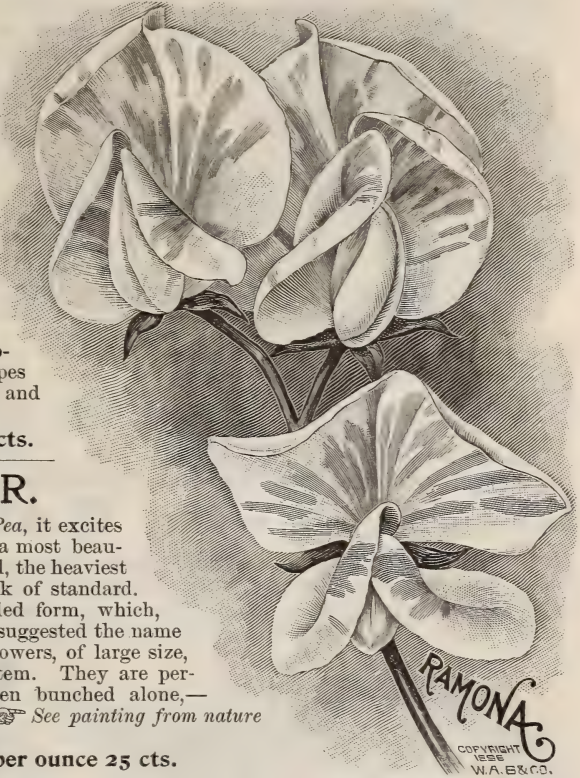
Besides "CUPID" we introduced in 1896 FIVE NEW SWEET PEAS, shown in our colored plate, but sold only in retail packets. Seed of these are now offered by the ounce. Each is described faithfully on this and the following page. While all are distinct, the most beautiful are RAMONA, GRAY FRIAR, and DAYBREAK, which should be in every collection.

## RAMONA.

Grand flowers of very large size and improved hooded form, as shown in the illustration. It is a vigorous grower and bears three or four flowers to the stem. Its coloring is delicately beautiful; a creamy-white, daintily splashed with pale pink on standard and wings.

The well-known Sweet Pea Expert, REV. W. T. HUTCHINS, writes:—RAMONA is a favorite of mine. It has the finest grandiflora form, and is of excellent substance. The soft flesh-pink stripes on white ground are very dainty, and its beauty is of the delicate order.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.



## GRAY FRIAR.

Entirely unlike any other Sweet Pea, it excites admiration wherever seen. It is a most beautiful watered purple on white ground, the heaviest coloring being on the back of standard.

The flowers are of a hooded form, which, with its unusual coloring, suggested the name "GRAY FRIAR." The flowers, of large size, are borne three and four on a stem. They are perfectly beautiful in a bouquet when bunched alone,—giving a decidedly gray effect. See painting from nature on lithographed leaflet enclosed.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per ounce 25 cts.

## New California Sweet Pea,—JUANITA.

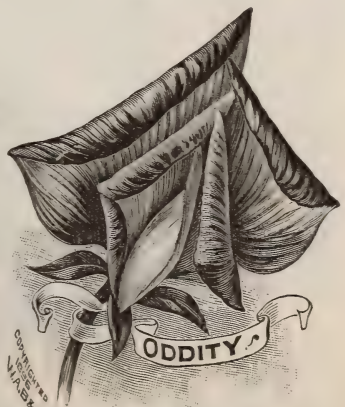
JUANITA (pronounced *Wah-nee-ta*) bears fine large flowers of the improved hooded form. Color pure white, delicately lined and striped with pale lavender. The plant is a vigorous grower and free bloomer; the seed is small, brown, spotted with black.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per ounce 25 cts.; five ounces for \$1.00.

## New Sweet Pea,—ODDITY.

A marked peculiarity is the irregularity of form in the flowers; the standards are inclined to curl considerably. Another distinct feature is that the stems are unusually heavy and strong; they generally bear four flowers on each. In color the flowers are a pale carmine edged with bright rose, giving it the appearance somewhat of a red-edged variety. It is a remarkably strong grower, and with its heavy stem, curly standard, and peculiar coloring, with a sort of netted surface, is certainly attractive, although not of a delicate, refined type.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; per ounce 25 cts.



**CAUTION.** Of our FIVE NOVELTIES OF 1896 we are responsible for *truthness to type* only of the seed sold by us. We do not want the fame of our Novelties to suffer by the sale of carelessly grown seed from crops that may not have been carefully "rogued."

Except of CUPID and our NOVELTIES FOR 1897 where the number of seeds is stated, a packet of SWEET PEAS contains sixty to eighty seeds, and an ounce three hundred to four hundred seeds.



## New Sweet Pea,—DAYBREAK.

DAYBREAK is the first novelty of his own that MR. HUTCHINS has offered, and is the *best original sort he has been at work on*. It has a white ground, and on the back of the standard is a crimson-scarlet cloud, which shows through in fine veins and network, giving to the front a crimson-scarlet watered effect. The wings are white, slightly flaked with crimson.



Per pkt. 10 cts.; ounce 25 cts.; 5 ozs. for \$1.00.

The SPRINGFIELD REPUBLICAN, July 29, 1896, says:—The finest exhibit in the show is that of Rev. W. T. Hutchins, the well-known specialist, who has in vases seventy-five varieties. His pride is Daybreak, which he, after "holding" seven years in order to secure certainty of type, put on the market this year. It has become at once popular and justly so, for it is a beauty of white ground with a crimson-scarlet cloud on the back of standard, with watered-scarlet front. Ramona is one of this year's finest, pink flaked.

The show has created no little interest in other States as shown by the visitors from cities at some distance. George D. Clark, a Sweet Pea specialist, was from Philadelphia, as was W. Atlee Burpee, of the Burpee Seed Company, of Philadelphia, which has this year sold fifteen tons of Sweet Pea Seed.

### EXTRA EARLY BLANCHE FERRY SWEET PEA.

Identically the same as the justly popular *Blanche Ferry Sweet Pea*, but comes into full bloom *ten days earlier*. It is of dwarfier habit and flowers most profusely. The wings are nearly white, while the standard is deep rose-pink. Valuable for forcing.

Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb. 30 cts.; lb. \$1.00.

### New Sweet Pea,—KATHERINE TRACY.

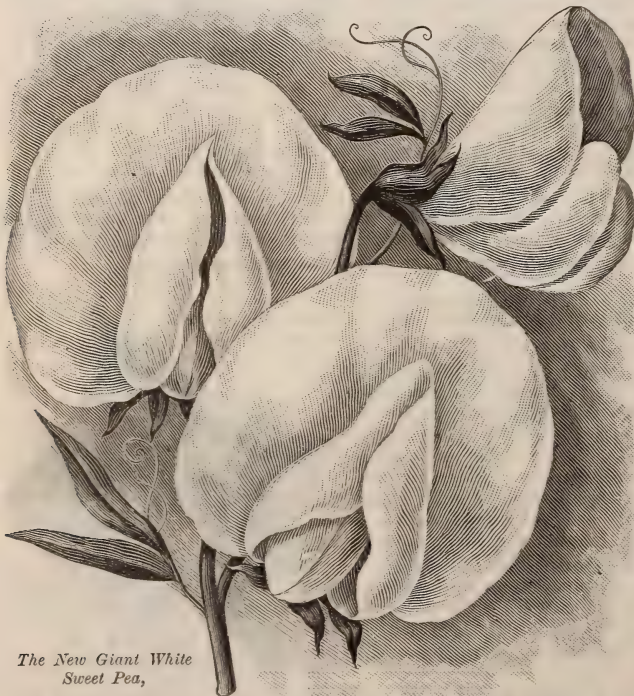
Flowers of large size, perfect form, and most beautiful. The color is soft but brilliant pink of precisely the same shade in wings and standard, retaining its brilliancy to the last. Long, strong stems, but unfortunately each stem bears only two flowers.

Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.; ¼ lb. 30 cts.; lb. \$1.00.

## Eckford's Giant White,—BLANCHE BURPEE

BLANCHE BURPEE is a **pure white** of most exquisite form and **immense size**, having a bold, rigid, upright, shell-shaped standard of great substance, and a wonderfully free bloomer.

BLANCHE BURPEE is free from the objectionable notch (in the top of the standard) so conspicuous in Emily Henderson and Queen of England.



The New Giant White Sweet Pea, BLANCHE BURPEE.

BLANCHE BURPEE usually bears three flowers on immense long stout stems, the plant being literally bedecked with bloom from bottom to top.

BLANCHE BURPEE is pronounced by everybody who has seen it as the finest white ever produced, being a **perfectly finished flower** of the purest white.

BLANCHE BURPEE should be planted thinly, being a **most robust grower**, and this will allow the plant to **properly develop**, and the flowers should be cut every day rigidly.

The above description is copied from HENRY ECKFORD'S SELECT LIST OF SWEET PEAS. Besides many prizes won prior to its introduction, BLANCHE BURPEE received An Award of Merit, R. H. S., in 1895.

Our American-grown Seed of BLANCHE BURPEE is of very strong vitality. It will grow nearly as well as the black-seeded varieties.

W. A. B. & Co.

Per large pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb. 35 cts.; per lb. \$1.25, postpaid.

## COMET ASTERS.

As now developed this magnificent new tribe of Asters comes perfectly true in character; the plants, twelve to fifteen inches high, form regular pyramids completely covered with superb, large, double flowers, of an intensely artistic beauty. The illustration shows how closely the beautiful flowers, with their artistically curved and twisted petals, resemble the finest Chinese Chrysanthemums.

**BRIGHT LIGHT BLUE BORDERED WHITE.** Fresh and attractive. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**CLEAR CARMINE.** A very showy and strikingly brilliant color. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**LILAC BORDERED WITH WHITE.** A lovely combination. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**NEW GIANT WHITE COMET ASTER.** Grand, pure white flowers of immense size. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**PURE LILAC.** A delightful tone of fine lilac is shown in this selection. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**FINEST MIXED COMET ASTERS.** All of the above colors of Comet Asters in unequaled mixture. The most strikingly beautiful strain of Asters known today. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**NEW GIANT COMET ASTERS, Mixed.** This is a new strain from France, with flowers of larger size; all colors. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

*Any three varieties of the above for 25 cts.*

**ASTER SEED by the ounce.** We make a specialty of ASTERS. Florists are requested to write for prices by the ounce. The retail "packets," as quoted here, each contain from 100 to 150 seeds.



A SINGLE PLANT OF COMET ASTER.

**NEW WHITE-BRANCHING ASTER.** A new variety, of American origin. Of branching habit, the magnificent large, double white flowers, quite four inches in diameter, are borne upon long stems, making them excellent for cutting. The long, broad petals are frequently twisted and curled in such a manner as to give the blossom the appearance of a large, graceful chrysanthemum. We cannot recommend this distinct New White Aster too highly for cut flowers. The seed is all of our own growing. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; 1/4 oz. 60 cts.; per oz. \$2.00.

**NEW JAPANESE ASTERS.** The beautiful flowers of this new strain of Asters offer a most striking contrast with those of any other variety. They are of immense size, measuring from five to six inches across, with long petals curiously waved and curled,

so as to give them a striking resemblance with the most disheveled Japanese Chrysanthemums. It is a vigorous-growing plant, fourteen or fifteen inches high, well branched, and producing quite a number of these enormous flowers. The accompanying engraving is a true representation of it, reduced about one-half natural size. We offer two beautiful colors,—Flesh colored and Rose,—each separate or both Mixed. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



JAPANESE ASTER.

## New American Aster, — MARY SEMPLE.

This is an American novelty of unusual merit,—sure to become popular even in Germany. Grown at FORDHOOK FARM it attracted much attention when in full flower during August and September. It grows two feet high and, owing to its free-branching habit, each plant should be allowed sufficient space for its full development. The superb, large, double flowers, in great profusion, are most beautiful,—of a very soft but deep shade of rosy-flesh. These lovely flowers are borne upon stems twelve inches long and are most desirable for cutting. Truly a Gem!  
Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; 1/4 oz. 50 cts.; per oz. \$2.00.

## THE YELLOW ASTER.

This new color is of the *Betteridge's Quilled Type*. The form of the double flower is a perfect ball; the quills are close together and of the brightest sulphur-yellow, not a mere indication of the color, as in all former productions. The border petals are broad and of a lighter tint, seeming to enclose the flower like an old-fashioned bouquet paper. The flowers are borne upon long, erect stems, excellent for cutting. Per pkt. 10 cts.

## BURPEE'S SEEDS GROW!

This well-known motto is equally true of our Flower Seeds as of Vegetable Seeds. The vitality of each variety is proven thoroughly before the seed is sold.



## NEW, LARGE-FLOWERING, DWARF QUEEN ASTER.

It is impossible to say too much in praise of this new strain. Again the past season, among all our trials of Asters, none could surpass these, while *White Queen* was the best dwarf white.

The dwarf, bushy plants grow only ten to twelve inches high, and while branching very freely, the branches are upright (not loose in habit), make a dense, compact bush,—excellent for pot culture as well as for bedding. The flowers are of *extraordinary size*, perfectly double, and resemble the finest *Victoria Asters* in form,—*excellent for cutting*. On a single plant we counted forty flowers and large buds, while many small buds were appearing.

**White Queen.** Spotless white, 10 cts.  
**Crimson Queen.** Rosy-crimson, 10 cts.  
**Dark-Blue Queen.** Per pkt. 10 cts.  
**Light-Blue Queen.** Per pkt. 10 cts.  
**All Four, finest mixed,** pkt. 10 cts.

Any three packets for 25 cts., or the set of five packets for 40 cts. The separate colors contain about 100 and the mixed about 150 seeds to a "packet."

**FORDHOOK Favorites among ASTERS.** Besides a large area of the best fancy varieties of Asters growing for seed at FORDHOOK FARM each season, we have had over five hundred separate and distinct trials in the open ground. From these we have selected seed of the very best varieties, grown separately. This special mixture of FORDHOOK FAVORITES includes the *New Comet Asters* of all colors, *Triumph* and *White-Branching Asters*, and all colors of the best *Victoria*, *Paeony-Flowered Perfection*, and *Large-Flowering Queen Asters*. We are confident that never before has an equal assortment of Asters been offered in any collection. We recommend our customers to plant liberally, knowing that the result will be most gratifying. It is truly an unrivaled mixture.

Per packet of 300 seeds, 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.



FLOWER OF THE NEW DIAMOND ASTER.

## NEW DIAMOND ASTERS.

The flowers are two to 2½ inches across, perfectly double, and each petal is distinctly incurved, as shown in the illustration of a single flower. The flowers are particularly valuable for cutting for bouquets. The plants grow eighteen to twenty inches in height, and the entire plant is a perfect mass of bloom. The colors are rich and varied:—

Pure White.	Dark Crimson.
Deep Violet.	Rose.
Deep Carmine.	Crimson and White.
Purplish-Lilac.	Deep Violet, with White.
Pink, with White.	Reddish-Violet.

Each color separate, 10 cts. per pkt.; any three packets for 25 cts., or the collection of 10 pkts. for 75 cts.

ALL THE ABOVE COLORS, MIXED, 10 CTS. PER PKT.; 3 PKTS. FOR 25 CTS.; ¼ oz. 50 CTS.; ¼ oz. 90 CTS.

The "packets" of separate colors contain 100 seeds each; of all colors mixed, about 150 seeds.

## VARIOUS ASTERS.

**BOLTZE'S DWARF BOUQUET.** A most charming class, of compact habit, only six to eight inches high. Each plant is covered with handsome flowers and looks like a bouquet set in the ground. 14 colors. Pkt. 10 cts.

**COCARDEAU, or CROWN.** A very showy variety, the large double flowers having the center pure white, surrounded with petals of a distinct, bright color. 10 cts.

**DWARF CHRYSANTHEMUM - FLOWERED.** Plants only ten to twelve inches high, producing large, double flowers resembling chrysanthemums, and valuable on account of profuse late flowering. Pkt. 5 cts.

**PRINCE OF WALES.** The plants branch freely in all directions. The flowers are of a deep crimson-red color and very large size. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**QUEEN OF THE MARKET.** Of graceful, spreading habit; its great merit is its early-flowering character, being in full flower two weeks before most other Asters begin to bloom. The colors are deep blue, white, pink, and deep rose. Finest mixed. Per pkt. 5 cts.

## FIRE-KING, or TRIUMPH ASTER.

Plants eight inches high, covered with large, handsome, perfectly formed flowers, of faultless paeony form. The color is intensely brilliant; when beginning to bloom it is of a pure scarlet, but changes to a magnificent satiny scarlet—two most brilliant colors. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**QUEEN OF SPRING.** It resembles somewhat the *Queen of the Market Aster*, but flowers from two to three weeks earlier, making it decidedly the earliest of all Asters. We offer both **Pure White** and **all colors Mixed** at 15 cts. per pkt., or 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

**VICTORIA.** A magnificent race of Asters. Flowers very large, quite double, beautifully reflexed; the plants bear 10 to 20 flowers, with the appearance of an elegant pyramid; 1½ feet. Over 20 colors mixed. 10 cts.

**WASHINGTON.** Very fine, large flowers, frequently four to five inches in diameter; mixed. Pkt. 10 cts.

**GERMAN QUILLED.** Fine mixed, of many bright colors. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 50 cts.

**BETTERIDGE'S PRIZE.** An improved form of the *German Quilled*, with large flowers; mixed. 5 cts.

**MIXED ASTERS.** Many varieties of different types; all colors. Per pkt. 5 cts.; ¼ oz. 25 cts.; oz. 75 cts.



**ASTERS.** It is unnecessary to dwell on the great beauty of these popular favorites, as they are appreciated by every one. Our seed is the very finest it is possible to procure. We recommend our friends to plant a number of varieties, as no other annuals afford so magnificent a display during the late summer and fall months.

**TRUFFAUT'S PÆONY-FLOWERED PERFECTION ASTERS.**

Among the most popular of all Asters; very double, large, and beautiful flowers, with incurved petals; height 18 inches to two feet; nearly thirty colors mixed. Per pkt, 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 50 cts.; per oz. \$1.75. We also have *Show White, Darkest Blue, and Glowing Dark Crimson* separate, each at 10 cts. per pkt.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 60 cts.; per oz. \$2.00.

**NEW DWARF PÆONY PERFECTION ASTERS.**

Grow only twelve inches high, of very neat, compact habit, and flower most profusely. The flowers are of very large size and fine form, perfectly double, the petals beautifully incurved. The colors are rich and brilliant.

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|  | PER PKT. |
| — Pure White, very chaste, . . . . .           | 10       |
| — Shining Dark Scarlet, brilliant, . . . . .   | 10       |
| — Light Blue, nearly sky blue, . . . . .       | 10       |
| — Black-Blue, very dark and rich, . . . . .    | 10       |
| — Rose, a quiet, pleasing color, . . . . .     | 10       |
| — Light Blue and White, very pretty, . . . . . | 10       |
| — Black-Blue and White, . . . . .              | 10       |
| — Crimson and White, . . . . .                 | 10       |
| — Rose and White, . . . . .                    | 10       |
| — Separate colors, each \$2.50 per oz.         |          |
| — Finest mixed, all above colors, . . . . .    | 10       |
| — 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per oz. \$2.00.         |          |

The Set, of ten packets, New Dwarf Pæony Perfection Asters, for 75 cts., or any six packets for 50 cts.



TRUFFAUT'S PÆONY-FLOWERED PERFECTION ASTER.

Our "PACKETS" of Asters each contain 100 to 150 seeds.

**ABUTILON.**

**Flowering Maple, or Chinese Bellflower.**

Although universally admired, comparatively few are aware how easily Abutilons (*Flowering Maple, or Chinese Bellflower,*) can be raised from seed and how beautifully they flower all summer the first season. To get them in bloom early the seed should be started in the house. A "packet" contains 35 to 40 seeds. **Royal Prize, mixed, elegant colors. Pkt. 10 cts.**

**AGERATUM.**

Fine for the garden or for winter-blooming in the house; the flowers are of a brush-like appearance. **Mexicanum.** Lavender blue; height  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet, . . . 5 **Mexicanum albidum.** White; two feet, . . . . . 5 **Tom Thumb.** Dwarf, only six inches high; mixed, 5

**ALYSSUM.**

	PER PKT.
<b>Sweet Alyssum.</b> White, in clusters. Oz. 25 cts., . . .	5
<b>Benthami compactum.</b> More dwarf and compact, known as <i>Tom Thumb Sweet Alyssum.</i> Oz. 40 cts., . . .	5

**AMBROSIA.**

An old garden favorite. The foliage is in fine, feathery sprays, delightfully fragrant; and is very useful for bouquets or cut-flower work. Per pkt. 5 cts.

**ANTIRRHINUM (Snapdragon).**

Beautiful spikes of gayly-colored flowers produced abundantly the first summer until after frost. **Picturatum.** Choice blotched varieties; mixed, . . . 5 **Dwarf Varieties.** Best mixed, . . . . . 5

**LITTLE GEM SWEET ALYSSUM**

The plants are very dwarf, spreading, and remarkably uniform in growth; they grow only three to four inches high, and each plant spreads so as to completely cover a circular space twelve to twenty inches in diameter. The plants begin to flower while quite young, and soon become one mass of white, remaining in full bloom from spring to fall—each plant being densely studded with the beautiful miniature spikes of deliciously fragrant flowers. *More than four hundred clusters of flowers in full bloom have been counted on a single plant.* Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 25 cts.; oz. 40 cts. *Our packets of Sweet Alyssum each contain more than twelve hundred seeds.*



**Note the Size of Our "PACKETS."** We state plainly the number of seeds contained in a "packet" of the leading varieties.

We do this in order that purchasers may not be misled by thinking that "packets" advertised at lower prices are cheaper,—they are really much dearer in quantity and also inferior often in quality of the seeds.

**BURPEE'S FLOWER SEEDS**  
**BEST that can be grown,**  
**at the Lowest Prices.**

Remember, also, that we give 25 cts. worth extra on each dollar.



### BURPEE'S CAMELLIA-FLOWERED BALSAM.

In large size and perfect form, *Burpee's Superb Camellia-Flowered Balsams* are without a rival, except in

**Burpee's Defiance.** The flowers, borne in wonderful profusion, resemble the Camellia in form, and are often fully as double; most of the varieties are of extraordinary size, frequently more than two inches in diameter. From our

extensive cultures—and we are the largest growers of Balsams in America—we have selected the following varieties: *Daisy Miller*, *Dwarf Lilac*, *Emperor*, *Garnet-Red*, *Perfection Pink*, *Pure White*, *Scarlet Spotted*, *Best Scarlet*, *Improved Solferino*, *Splendens*, and *Sunshine*. Each variety, per pkt. 10 cts., or any 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**Perfection White (Queen's White).** The finest white Balsam for florists' work. Per pkt. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 50 cts.

**BURPEE'S SUPERB CAMELLIA-FLOWERED BALSAMS, FINEST MIXED.** This embraces seed of all the twelve varieties described, and also other colors which we do not offer separately. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 30 cts.; per oz. \$1.00.

**Camellia-Flowered, mixed.** This is not our "superb" strain, but we believe it to be as good as the Camellia-Flowered Balsams generally sold. Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 50 cts.

## Burpee's Defiance Balsams.

Of the hundreds of visitors to our seed grounds annually, every one freely admits that BURPEE'S DEFIANCE BALSAMS are decidedly the largest and finest they have ever seen, while many are amazed that such remarkable perfection could have been secured even by long-continued selection. BURPEE'S DEFIANCE are certainly unequalled in uniform doubleness and large size of flowers. Of such substance are the large double flowers that many of the plants, although crowded with bloom, yield but two or three fertile pods of seed. The seed, consequently, unless the strain should be allowed to deteriorate, must always be high in price. We offer eight colors:—

**Chamois-Rose.** Deep chamois-rose.  
**Pure Pink.** Flowers of a beautiful pure pink.  
**Rose, White Spotted.** A lovely shade of rose.  
**Royal Purple.** Nearest approach to deep blue.  
**Scarlet, White Spotted.** Immense flowers.  
**Shining Scarlet.** Of intense brilliancy.  
**Violet, White Spotted.** Distinctly spotted.  
**White, Tinted Lilac.** A most excellent Balsam for florists' designs, as the general effect is white, relieved by a delicate shading of lilac at the center.

PRICES of each separate color named above, 10 cts. per packet; any 3 packets for 25 cts., or any 6 packets for 50 cts. The entire collection of eight colors, together with one packet finest mixed, for 75 cts.

**BURPEE'S DEFIANCE BALSAMS, FINEST MIXED.** This mixture is composed, in nearly equal proportions, of all the above eight colors—each grown separately. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

NOTE.—Although now reduced to the same price, these packets do not, of course, contain as much seed as the packets of The Camellia-Flowered Balsams.—about fifty seeds to the packet.

**FORDHOOK FANCY BALSAM.** The plants branch freely into dense, bushy forms; each branch, from base to top, is fairly loaded with perfectly beautiful flowers. The individual flowers are often two inches across; the petals are beautifully reflexed, exhibiting tones of soft, rich, salmon-pink color, which fairly glows with mellow light. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**FORDHOOK TRICOLOR BALSAM.** This remarkable variety is striking in the color of the flowers, which, as the name signifies, are three-colored—first, a white ground, then, in high contrast, irregular, bright-red stripes, which seem to cast a soft shade of pink, the three colors showing distinctly. The plants make a beautiful growth, and bear superb spikes of flowers in great profusion. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

### BEGONIA VERNON.

Plants grow rapidly and thrive amazingly under our hot summer sun. The flowers are borne in constant profusion from early summer until late autumn. The color is deep red, magnificently set off by the abundant and vigorous foliage, which is waxy and glossy, stained, spotted, and margined bronze-purple. Few other flowering plants as rich and handsome can be so easily raised from seed and come to full perfection in so short a time. A "packet" contains more than one thousand seeds.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

### BEGONIA ERFORDIA.

This distinct novelty is a most profuse bloomer. The color of the flower is a lovely soft pink throughout, which does not fade even in the hottest summer days. The leaves and leaf stalk are of a coppery-bronze of a rich shade, affording a most effective background for the flowers. The seed is produced each year by careful cross-fertilization at FORDHOOK FARM. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

### Large-Leaved BEGONIA REX.

The leaves are very large, measuring from eight to ten inches in length, wonderfully handsome in colors and varied in markings. Some have a black center surrounded by a silver ribbon; in others the leaves are of a rich, silvery appearance throughout, while others combine silver with purple. The leaves are borne upon strong stems, thickly set with tiny little spikes. The seed we offer is of our own saving at FORDHOOK FARM. Per small pkt. 15 cts.



A SINGLE PLANT OF BEGONIA VERNON.

## TUBEROUS-ROOTED BEGONIAS

### Fordhook Gigantic Strain.

The gigantic size, lasting substance, and rich colors of the flowers as grown at FORDHOOK FARM are proof of the wonders that may be done by skillful cross-fertilization. The illustration from nature shows the type of flower; single blooms sometimes measure six inches across. The fascinating colors range from ivory-white and flaming scarlet through shades of bright bronzy-yellow, light and dark crimson, orange, pink, ruby-red, and rose. The flowers are perfectly reflexed, and their gorgeous effect is emphasized by the beautiful foliage.

This strain is grown from the best collection of tuberous-rooted varieties possible to secure. For hardiness, vigor, and profusion of bloom for a long season they cannot be surpassed. The seeds germinate easily, and sown in January or February will flower the first season. Sown as late as June, fine tubers can be had for the following season. It is really remarkable that these rare flowers are so easily grown and cared for. Our little treatise, "RARE FLOWERS FROM SEED," gives full directions for cultivation, and is free to customers.

**Fordhook Gigantic Tuberous-Rooted Begonias, Single, mixed.** This selection, grown at FORDHOOK FARM, is unsurpassed. We recommend the single varieties as the best for general purposes. A "packet" contains over five hundred seeds. Pkt. 25 cts.; 5 pkts. for \$1.00; half-size pkts. 15 cts.

**Double Tuberous-Rooted Begonias, Fine mixed.** Carefully hybridized. Per small pkt. 25 cts.



### We offer STRONG BULBS of Tuberous-Rooted BEGONIAS as follows:—

**Single varieties in finest mixture.** Grand in size and colors. 2 for 25 cts.; 5 for 60 cts., or \$1.25 per doz.

Single varieties in separate colors—**Crimson, Pink, White, Yellow, and Orange**—at 20 cts. each, or \$2.00 per doz., purchaser's choice of colors.

**Double varieties in finest mixture.** These are too expensive for bedding, but are so magnificent that single specimen plants attract universal admiration. Very choice for pot culture. Price 50 cts. each; 5 for \$2.25, or \$5.00 per doz., postpaid.

**BELLIS (Double Daisy).** *Daisies are easily raised from spring-sown seed, and come into flower in a very short time. Among the most charming spring flowers, they will stand the winter with a little protection.*

**Fine German Double, mixed.** Per pkt. 5 cts.  
**Extra Double White, fine.** Per pkt. 5 cts.  
**Longtellow.** *Dark-rose flowers of unusual size.* Per pkt. 10 cts.  
**Snowball.** Large, double flowers, of purest white. Pkt. 10 cts.  
**Double Quilled, mixed.** Red and white mixed. Pkt. 10 cts.

**CALLCEOLARIA HYBRIDA.** For growing in the house and conservatory these splendid flowers are prized as among the most showy in cultivation. The plants grow round and shapely, twelve to eighteen inches high, and for three months are covered with hundreds of unique pocket-like flowers. The colors and markings are wonderfully rich and varied, including the rarest shades of velvety crimson, maroon, brown, and yellow, vividly tigered and spotted. Full directions for culture given in "RARE FLOWERS FROM SEED." *The largest-flowered varieties in finest mixture. A "packet" contains more than four hundred seeds.* Per pkt. 25 cts., or 5 pkts. for \$1.00.

We also supply half-size packets at 15 cts. per pkt.

**CALENDULA.** The old pot "Marigold" has been greatly improved. The *Oriole* and *Trianon* are really novelties of remarkable beauty.

**Double, mixed.** The well-known *Pot Marigold*. Per oz. 15 cts.; per pkt. 5 cts.  
**Meteor.** Beautifully striped. Per oz. 20 cts.; per pkt. 5 cts.  
**Prince of Orange.** Straw-yellow, striped with deep orange. Per pkt. 5 cts.  
**Oriole, or Large-Flowering Bright Yellow.** *Extra large and double.* Pkt. 5 cts.  
**The Royal Marigold, "Trianon."** Sulphur-yellow, with dark brown. Pkt. 5 cts.

**CALLIOPSIS. Drummondii (Golden Ware).** Compact plants covered with bright golden flowers, two inches across, each distinctly marked with dark-brown center. Per oz. 20 cts.; per pkt. 5 cts.

**Coronata.** Brightest yellow flowers, of large size, deepening to rich orange toward the center, and elegantly punctuated with maroon. Per pkt. 5 cts.

**Hybrida, Double.** Rich, velvety maroon, bordered yellow; the flowers are semi-double and double. Per oz. 25 cts.; per pkt. 5 cts.

**Dwarf Compact.** A beautiful dwarf strain. Per oz. 25 cts.; per pkt. 5 cts.

**Mixed, all varieties and colors.** Per oz. 20 cts.; per pkt. 5 cts.

**CANARY-BIRD FLOWER. Tropæolum Canariensis.** One of our most beautiful annual climbers, with bright-green foliage, delicately cut and very ornamental. The peculiar-shaped flowers are bright golden-yellow. Per oz. 35 cts.; pkt. 5 cts.



CALLCEOLARIA HYBRIDA.



CANARY-BIRD FLOWER.

## Original Improved Dwarf MARGUERITE CARNATIONS.

These lovely, fragrant MARGUERITE CARNATIONS are in full bloom in about four months after sowing the seed. The plants succeed alike in the open garden or in pots, and are of such vigorous, dwarf, erect growth that no supports are required. The flowers are of high type, exquisitely sweet, fully 80 per cent. perfectly double, the calyx of which does not split. The range of color, marking, variegations, and shading are simply wonderful. A "packet" contains more than two hundred seeds. **All colors mixed.** Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. 40 cts.;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 75 cts.; per oz. \$1.25.

## GIANTS OF CALIFORNIA

Everyone knows and admires THE MARGUERITE CARNATIONS. They are invaluable from the fact that they can be treated as Annuals, and flower as freely as the Annual Dianthus, while they possess the beauty and fragrance of the old Carnations.

THE GIANTS OF CALIFORNIA DWARF MARGUERITE CARNATIONS have magnificent flowers of very large size, while the plants are of dwarf, bushy habit and very free-flowering.

The flowers, of perfect form, embrace many brilliant colors. All will be delighted with this new strain by reason of the grand flowers, freedom of bloom, and the fact that they flower as quickly from seed as do the original MARGUERITE CARNATIONS, possessing the same delicious fragrance. The seed is again very scarce. A "packet" contains only about seventy-five seeds. Finest colors, mixed, per pkt. 15 cts.



## CARNATIONS AND PICOTEES.

Large, beautiful, and very fragrant flowers, as perfect in form as the rose. Seeds sown in open ground in May or June will flower splendidly the next season. The only Carnation that flower the first season from seed are the Dwarf Marguerites described above.

	PER PKT.
German, extra fine, Double, mixed. First quality,	15
Choice Double, mixed. Very good,	10
Red Grenadin. Double flowers of a brilliant scarlet,	15
Early Vienna. Very fine for open-ground culture,	10
Picotee, fine, Double, mixed. A good strain,	15
Fancy Picotee, extra fine, mixed. A superb strain,	25
Perpetual, or Tree Carnation. Choicest mixed,	25

## CANDYTUFT.

Among the most useful of perfectly hardy annuals. Produces neat clusters of flowers very freely.

	PER PKT.
New Empress. Really a magnificent variety, with enormous heads of pure white flowers,	10
New Dwarf Hybrids. Flowers from pure white to dark purple; of dwarf habit,	10
Tom Thumb. White, very dwarf,	10
Snow Queen. It bears but little foliage, and the mass of white produced makes it useful for borders,	10
White. Per oz. 20 cts.,	5
Rocket. Spikes of white flowers. Per oz. 20 cts.,	5
Dark Crimson,	5
New Carmine. The richest in color,	5
Mixed. Including above varieties. Per oz. 20 cts.,	5

## CROZY'S DWARF CANNAS.

These new Dwarf, Ever-Blooming, Large-Flowering French Cannas bloom freely the first year from seed. They are much less expensive and incomparably more beautiful for bedding than the best Geraniums. The roots can be kept in the cellar over winter, and each clump will give six to eight good roots for planting out the following spring. The mixed seed we offer has been saved from the finest varieties of all colors.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; per oz. 60 cts.

**CANNAS.—All Varieties and Colors Mixed.** Including both the old tall varieties and Crozy's Dwarf. Per pkt. 5 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.

## PLUMED CELOSIAS.

**Dwarf Feathered.** The plants are very dwarf and compact; beautiful, feather-like blossoms of the most brilliant shades of crimson, scarlet, fiery red, and golden-yellow.

**Fire-Feathered.** Intense orange-scarlet or fire color, 5

**Gold-Feathered.** A bright golden-orange color, 5

**Feathered Varieties, mixed.** Per oz. 50 cts., 5

**TRIUMPH OF THE EXPOSITION.** This Superb Novelty grows quickly from seed; about two and a half feet in height. Of free but regular branching habit, each stem is crowned with a magnificent feathery plume of the most intensely brilliant red. The splendid color is most admirably shown off by the bronze-colored foliage. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**CELOSIA CRISTATA,—see Cockscomb.**

**New Centaurea,—Marguerite.**

Named after Queen Marguerite of Italy, who is so well beloved by the people of that sunny land, this novelty is entirely distinct from all other Centaureas and undoubtedly the most beautiful variety known. The plants grow about eighteen inches high and are of the easiest culture. The large flowers are of purest white, deliciously scented, exquisitely lacinated, and freely produced on long stems, which render them valuable for cutting. We recommend it as a highly decorative and particularly valuable white-flowering plant. In unique beauty it is entirely unlike any other flowering plant and sure to excite admiration wherever grown.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



CENTROSEMA GRANDIFLORA.

**CENTROSEMA GRANDIFLORA.**

This new climber is recommended as a hardy vine of rare beauty, which, even in the poorest soil, will produce large clusters of inverted pea-shaped flowers, delightfully fragrant, one and a half to two and a half inches in diameter, and ranging in color from rosy-violet to reddish-purple, with bright feathered markings through the center. As the seed germinates slowly, we advise soaking it in warm water over night before planting. A "packet" contains about fifty seeds. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**CENTAUREA (Corn-Bottle).**

The *Blue Bottle*, or *Bachelor's Button*, is one of the most attractive of all hardy annuals, the graceful beauty of its old-fashioned flowers being universally admired. A hardy annual of the easiest growth, and flowers freely; height two to three feet. A "packet" contains fully one hundred and fifty seeds.

PER PKT.

- Cyanus, mixed.** Including dark and light blue, purple, pink, rose, white, etc. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . 5
- Kaiser Wilhelm.** Of a rich deep-blue color, . . . 5
- New Double, mixed colors.** So perfect that fully 80 per cent. of the flowers are double and semi-double, 10
- New Dwarf Blue Victoria.** The compact and bushy plants, six to nine inches high, present a mass of foliage and profusion of graceful azure-blue flowers. In full bloom one month after sowing seed, . . . 10



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NEW MARGUERITE CENTAUREA.

**ANNUAL CHRYSANTHEMUMS.**

"French Marguerites," or "Painted Daisies."

These annual Chrysanthemums have no resemblance whatever to the perennial varieties, also so popular, but have a distinct beauty. The plants grow twelve to eighteen inches high, and produce on long stems beautiful, large flowers of many bright colors, having the appearance of being laid on with a paint brush.



ECLIPSE.

- PER PKT.
- Atrococcineum** (*The Sultan*). Flowers a velvety, crimson-maroon, with golden rim next the center, . . . 5
- Burridgeanum** (*Lord Beaconsfield*). Crimson-maroon, with white edge and inner white circle, 5
- Eclipse.** Pure golden with a bright purplish-scarlet ring on the ray floret, the disk being brown, . . . 10
- Fascination.** Of exceptional beauty, producing large single flowers of a lovely shade of red, . . . 10
- Golden Feather.** The dark center is surrounded by a circle of golden-yellow, followed by another of crimson; beautiful golden foliage, . . . 10
- Finest mixed.** Embracing all of the above, . . . 5
- CHRYSANTHEMUM—Double. Coronarium mixed.** White and yellow, double flowers, . . . 5
- Sulphureum, fl. pl.** Double flowers, yellow color, . 5
- Inodorum plenissimum.** A perennial; flowers the first year from seed, producing hundreds of beautiful, double snow-white flowers, . . . 5
- Japanese Chrysanthemums,—see next page.**

**Seeds of FLORISTS' FLOWERS.**

We would call attention to the fact that on all the choice Flowers grown from seed by florists, we quote prices either by the thousand seeds or ounce. Being actual growers and direct importers, we sell **The BEST SEEDS at the lowest prices**, consistent with high quality. Nowhere can seeds of equal value be bought for less money. Our strains of **ASTERS, BALSAMS, BEGONIAS, CALCEOLARIA, CINERARIA, CYCLAMENS, GLOXINIAS, MIGNONETTE, PANSIES, PETUNIAS, and VERBENAS** are unrivaled.

**We Know there are but FEW EQUAL,—NONE BETTER.**

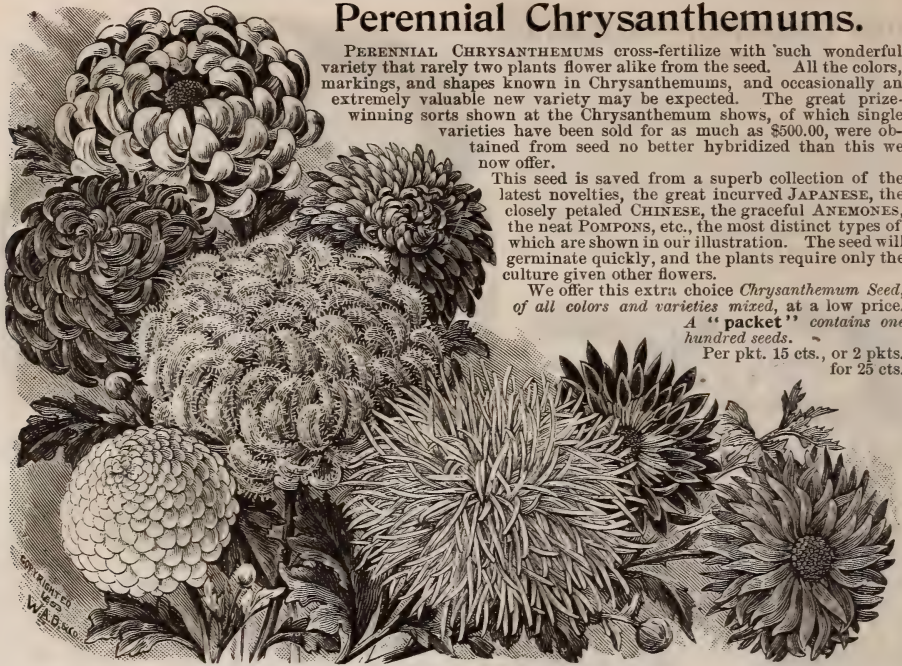
## Perennial Chrysanthemums.

PERENNIAL CHRYSANTHEMUMS cross-fertilize with such wonderful variety that rarely two plants flower alike from the seed. All the colors, markings, and shapes known in Chrysanthemums, and occasionally an extremely valuable new variety may be expected. The great prize-winning sorts shown at the Chrysanthemum shows, of which single varieties have been sold for as much as \$500.00, were obtained from seed no better hybridized than this we now offer.

This seed is saved from a superb collection of the latest novelties, the great incurved JAPANESE, the closely petaled CHINESE, the graceful ANEMONES, the neat POMPONS, etc., the most distinct types of which are shown in our illustration. The seed will germinate quickly, and the plants require only the culture given other flowers.

We offer this extra choice *Chrysanthemum Seed*, of all colors and varieties mixed, at a low price. A "packet" contains one hundred seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts., or 2 pkts. for 25 cts.



## CINERARIA.

As will be seen by the illustration from a single plant, the Cineraria is a wonder for wealth of bloom and symmetry of form. The plants grow about as broad as they are high,—averaging fifteen inches,—perfectly circular



LARGE-FLOWERING CINERARIA.

and entirely covered with brilliant blossoms. The rich and vivid colors range through all shades of light and bright blue to royal plum-purple, and from shining crimson to deep maroon. Most of the varieties have a well-defined white eye, while the flowers are sharply margined with some high contrasting color. For exhibiting at fairs or flower shows, Cinerarias are

unsurpassed for attractiveness. As the seed is easily started and the plants readily grow in good, ordinary soil, no collection of house plants should be without Cinerarias. For full directions for cultivation, see RARE FLOWERS FROM SEED, given free (page 107). A "packet" contains about two hundred and fifty seeds.

**Hybrida, fine mixed.** Pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.  
**Hybrida, large-flowering, finest mixed.** Flowers measuring two inches across. Per pkt. 25 cts.

**Double, extra choice mixed.** Perfect globular flowers, of many rich colors, borne well above the foliage, excite admiration, but are not so beautiful as the single-flowered varieties. Per pkt. 25 cts.

## COBÆA SCANDENS.

This is one of the most graceful of all annual climbers; large, bell-shaped flowers of a beautiful violet hue. The rapid growth recommends it especially for trellis and arbors; it blooms freely throughout the summer. Water the soil sparingly from the first. Per pkt. 5 cts.

## COCKSCOMBS.

The Cockscumb (*Celosia cristata*) is easily grown from seed, and is certainly one of the most showy and brilliant of annuals. A "packet" contains from two hundred to three hundred seeds. PER PKT.

**Dwarf Golden Rose.**

Large, full combs of bright rose, marked with a central stripe of clear golden-yellow. . . . 10

**New Giant Empress.**

Mammoth, bright purple combs, lustrous bronze foliage. . . . 10

**Glasgow Prize, or Tom Thumb.**

Dark leaves and crimson combs. . . . 10

**New Japan.**

Cut and ruffled like fine lace. . . . . 5

**QUEEN OF DWARFS.**

The plants grow only about eight inches high, with large heads ten to twelve inches across; rich ruby-red. . . . . 10

**Variegated.**

Variegated yellow and scarlet. . . . . 5

**Dwarf, mixed.**

Large, solid heads of bloom. . . . . 5



QUEEN OF DWARFS.

**NEW DWARF ROYAL PURPLE.** The past season this grand new variety again proved in our Trial Grounds the very best of all dwarf Cockscombs. Immense, perfect combs of the darkest purple. . . . 10

## BURPEE'S SEEDS GROW.

This motto, now so well known, is just as true of our FLOWER SEEDS as of our VEGETABLE SEEDS. Few seedsmen test the vitality of all flower seeds so thoroughly as we do,—while nowhere in America are so many varieties of Flowers grown from seed each year as at our famous FORDHOOK FARM, in Bucks County, Pa.



The plants are very vigorous and grow to an unusually large size. The leaves are extremely large and of lasting substance, curled and serrated in a beautiful manner; the colors, variegations, and markings are regally rich and brilliant. The diversity of shades and combinations of colors are wonderful,—seldom is it possible to find two plants alike. With all their brilliant beauty the plants are as easily grown from seed as the common Coleus. In our beds at FORDHOOK FARM we have frequently measured leaves *ten to thirteen inches long by nine to twelve inches broad*. In 1895 we offered cash prizes for the largest leaves mailed (pressed flat between cardboards) by any of our customers. The first prize of \$50 was won by Mr. M. S. ROSE, Fitchburg, Mass., who sent us a *grand leaf which measured sixteen and three-eighths inches long by twelve and seven-eighths inches broad*. A "packet" contains about one hundred and fifty seeds.  
 Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; per Trade Packet of 1000 seeds for 75 cts.

**Superfine SUNSET.** From careful cross-fertilization by hand of the plants producing the largest and most brilliantly-colored leaves we are constantly improving BURPEE'S SUNSET STRAIN of COLEUS. The past season we cross-fertilized and "ribbed" choice plants which have borne more seed than we need for our own planting. It is this stock seed that we now offer as SUPERFINE SUNSET at the price of 15 cts. per small pkt.; or 2 pkts. for 25 cts.



**COLEUS, Fancy Fringed and Lacinated.** The Fringed type has large leaves, which are cut out in the most delicate and varied manner on the border, so that they seem to have miniature leaflets all around the outer side of each large leaf. The Lacinated type is very odd, each leaf seeming to be composed of a stand of small leaflets in the most astonishing manner. The seed is all saved at FORDHOOK FARM from our unrivaled collection.  
 Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; per Trade Packet of 1000 seeds for 85 cts.

**CYCLAMENS.**

Enthusiastic admirers declare that these splendid, bulbous-rooted plants possess more rare beauty of form, foliage, and flower than any other class outside of Orchids. They grow from seed, which develop into compressed perennial root-stocks, from which are thrown up superb broad, massive foliage, handsomely variegated and veined. The flower-stems spring directly from the root, and gracefully bear well above the foliage fifty to one hundred richly colored, orchid-like winged flowers. The colors range from pearly-white to darkest crimson, with all the intermediate shadings, variations, and markings in delicate contrast.

PER PKT.  
**Persicum, splendid mixed.** 500 seeds for \$1.00, . . . 10  
**Giganteum, mixed.** Beautifully-mottled leaves, and very large flowers. 1000 seeds for \$2.50, . . . 15



**RARE FLOWERS from Seed.**

Written by the Superintendent of FORDHOOK FARM, this booklet tells plainly **How to Grow Rare Flowers from Seed** successfully, including *Begonias, Calceolaria, Cineraria, Cyclamen, Fuchsias, Gloxinias, Musa, Large-Flowering and Double Petunias, Primulas, Water Lilies*, etc. With the simple, practical instruction therein given, even the amateur who is not a skilled gardener and does not possess a greenhouse can now enjoy the exquisite pleasure of raising these beautiful, rare flowers to perfection. It is mailed FREE to all purchasers of the seed who ask for it when ordering.

**COSMOS.**

Of very rapid growth, and make large bushes, fully five feet high, which are a mass of elegant foliage until they bloom in August.



From September until November each plant is covered with hundreds of showy single flowers, pure white, flesh color, charming light pink, and deep rose in color, each with a bright yellow center. A "packet" contains about one hundred seeds. PER PKT.

- Pure White.** Large, white flowers; extremely beautiful; very valuable for florists. . . . . 5
- Pure Pink.** Beautiful, delicate pink. . . . . 5
- All colors mixed.** . . . . 5
- New Mammoth Cosmos.** — Giants

of California. Especially notable for purity of color and gigantic size of flowers. **Giant Pure White, Giant Pink, and Finest Mixed**, each per pkt., . . . 10

**CYPRESS VINE.**

- Scarlet.** Intensely rich scarlet. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . 5
- White.** Purest paper-white. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . 5
- Mixed.** Both scarlet and white. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . 5
- Scarlet Ivy-Leaved.** Deeply-lobed leaves and fork-like racemes of fiery orange-scarlet flowers stand out in countless numbers. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . . . 5
- FORDHOOK MIXED.** No vines are more graceful for covering trellises, fences, tree stumps, etc., while few grow so easily from seed. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . 5

**DAHLIAS,—From Seed.**

Every one knows and admires the Double Dahlia, but few are aware that it can be grown so easily from seed and flowers beautifully the first season. A "packet" contains from forty to fifty seeds.



DOUBLE DAHLIA.

- Large - Flowering Double, or Show, mixed,** . . . . . 5
- Extra Choice Large-Flowering Double.** This splendid strain is saved from a large collection of perfectly double varieties, . . . . . 10
- Choice Pompon, mixed,** . . . . . 5
- Extra Choice Selected Pompon, mixed,** . . . . . 10
- Superb Single Dahlias.** These are very easily raised from seed; they begin to flower in July. . . . . 10
- New Striped Single Dahlias.** Large single flowers, beautifully striped, . . . . . 10

**New Tom Thumb Dahlias.** The perfect little plants, only twelve to fifteen inches high, are covered with showy, single flowers in great variety, . . . . 10

**DATURA (Angel's Trumpet).**

Very showy, large-branching plants, growing three to five feet high, bearing immense, trumpet-shaped flowers.

**Cornucopia (Horn of Plenty).** The grand, trumpet-shaped flowers measure seven to nine inches in length and four to six inches across, and are formed of three distinct trumpet flowers growing each within the other; the mouth of the corolla is a delicate white, outside richly marbled with purple. A "packet" contains about forty seeds. . . . . 5

- Wrightii.** Large, single, white flowers, . . . . . 5
- Fastuosa, fl. pl. Large Double White,** . . . . . 5
- Fastuosa, fl. pl. Double Purple,** . . . . . 5
- Chlorantha, fl. pl. Large, double, golden-yellow,** . . . 5
- Finest Mixed.** Seeds of all the above, . . . . . 5



NEW FIREBALL DIANTHUS.

**THREE NEW DOUBLE PINKS.**

**DWARF FIREBALL.** This distinct novelty is dwarf and compact in growth; flowers of fine form and large size. Until checked by severe frost, the plants are constantly covered with brilliant blood-red, perfectly double lacinated flowers; undoubtedly the most brilliant annual Pink. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per ½ oz. 50 cts.

**DWARF SNOWBALL.** A fitting companion to the preceding, differing only in the flowers, which are double white. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**NEW LARGE - FLOWERED DWARF DOUBLE HYBRID PINKS. In Superb Mixture.** The splendid dwarf plants grow only nine to ten inches high and are loaded with extra large, double flowers of perfect form and brilliant colors. The flowers are of fine substance and frequently measure three inches across. They embrace all colors, from pure white to deep crimson, while most of the flowers are beautifully variegated. Really a superb strain! Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; ½ oz. 50 cts.; per oz. \$1.00.

**DIANTHUS (PINK).**

The China and Japan Pinks are deservedly very popular, as few flowers can equal them in beauty and profusion of bloom. They comprise many distinct and most beautifully marked varieties, of rich and varied colors. They bloom continually all summer and fall, until frost. A "packet" contains two hundred to three hundred seeds.

- Chinensis (Double Chinese Pinks).** Clusters of small double flowers; finest mixed. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . . 5
- Chinensis albus, fl. pl.** Double white, . . . . . 5
- Diadematus, fl. pl. (Double Diadem Pink).** Large double flowers, magnificent in color and variety, . . . 5
- Heddewiggii, finest Single, mixed.** Flowers two to three inches in diameter. Per oz. 50 cts., . . . . 5
- Heddewiggii, fl. pl.** Finest double mixed, in great variety; extra choice. Per oz. 60 cts., . . . . . 5
- Heddewiggii albus pleno.** Double white, . . . . . 5
- atrosanguineus, fl. pl.** Double, dark red, . . . . . 5
- Mourning Cloak.** Very double, large flowers; ground color very dark mahogany, almost black, edged with a margin of pure white. Per oz. 75 cts., . . 5
- Crimson Belle.** Very large, single, dark-red flowers, . . 5
- Eastern Queen.** Magnificent single flowers, two to four inches across; splendidly striped and stained, . . 5
- The Bride.** The large, handsome single flowers are pure white with deep purplish-red center, surrounded by a still darker ring. Per oz. \$1.00, . . . . 5
- Imperialis, fl. pl. (Double Imperial Pink).** Finest mixed, many bright colors. Per oz. 50 cts., . . . . 5
- Laciniatus, fl. pl.** Large single, fringed flowers; mixed, . . 5
- Laciniatus, fl. pl.** Magnificent, large, perfectly double and deeply fringed flowers; finest mixed, . . . . 5
- Double Red Blotched.** The flowers are of the purest snowy white, blotched with red, . . . . . 5
- Our own mixture of all the above splendid varieties.** Per ½ oz. 30 cts.; per oz. 50 cts., . . . . . 5

**DIANTHUS—Fordhook Favorites.**

Every year we test all the varieties of both the Chinese and Japanese Pinks at FORDHOOK FARM. We have carefully noted the best and most attractive varieties, including both large-flowered single and double sorts, of which we have composed this special mixture. This mixture is unquestionably the best ever offered, embracing the finest varieties grown separately. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.; ¼ oz. 25 cts.; ½ oz. 40 cts.; per oz. 75 cts.



**ESCHSCHOLTZIA (California Poppy).**

*A packet contains about four hundred seeds.*

- PER PKT.  
**Mixed.** Flowers yellow, orange, and white, . . . . . 5  
**Mandarin.** Rich orange and a mandarin-scarlet, . . . . . 5  
**Crocea, fl. pl.** Of a deep orange; semi-double, . . . . . 5  
**Maritima.** Each single flower is of a bright canary-yellow, with an orange center; the leaves are silvery-gray and beautifully lacinated, . . . . . 10

**FEVERFEW.**

The highly esteemed *Bachelor's Buttons* of the old-time garden. Plants are pyramidal in growth, eight inches high, with dark-green lacinated leaves. The plant is surmounted by numerous tall, freely-branching flower-stems, which attain a height of eighteen inches, and are literally covered with very double pure white flowers, an inch in diameter. The great profusion of fine flowers, with long, slender stems, make this valuable to grow for cut-flowers. Per pkt. 5 cts.

**FUCHSIAS.**



SINGLE AND DOUBLE FUCHSIA.

Fine plants of Fuchsia can easily be raised from seed, which will bloom freely during the summer in a cool, moist situation in the open air. On the approach of frost in the fall, they can be taken up and planted in pots, and will continue to flower freely during the winter months.

A "packet" contains about twenty-five seeds.

- PER PKT.  
**FUCHSIAS, Double and Single, mixed,** . . . . . 15  
**SUPERB MIXED.** The very finest Double and Single Fuchsias, saved from splendid varieties, . . . . . 25  
**THE TRAILING FUCHSIA (Procumbens).** This species makes one of the prettiest trailing plants imaginable. While the flowers are small, the vines are of graceful habit, with pretty leaves and bright-red berries, which make a fine effect hanging over the side of a pot, basket, or vase. The berries are about the size and shape of robins' eggs, of deep crimson red, ornamenting the plant for as long as six months at a time, . . . . . 15

**FORGET-ME-NOT.**

These well-known garden favorites succeed best in moist, shady situations, but grow and bloom well in almost any flower bed, flowering freely from seed the first summer.



- PER PKT.  
**Palustris.** The true marsh Forget-me-Not, . . . . . 5  
**Alpestris.** Blue, dwarf, free-flowering, . . . . . 5  
**Alpestris alba.** White; height six inches, . . . . . 5  
**Semperflorens.** A dwarf, blue variety; free-flowering, 10  
**Eliza Fonrobert.** Sky-blue, with a yellow eye, . . . . . 10  
**Elegantissima.** The leaves are variegated, . . . . . 10

**GAILLARDIAS.**

Although long neglected, the Single Gaillardia, or *Blanket Flower*, has lately come into well-deserved popularity. Of magnificent size and wonderful profusion, the flowers are greatly admired for their fine forms and rich blending of colors; they thrive everywhere.

- PER PKT.  
**Amblyodon.** Clear, bright red, . . . . . 5  
**Aurora Borealis.** Flowery heads, composed of clusters of gold, crimson, and white, . . . . . 5  
**Salmon-Red (Sun-Kissed).** Large single flowers, salmon-red, distinctly edged with bright orange, . . . . . 5  
**Fine mixed.** Including all the above and also other varieties. This mixture, although so cheap, is equal to any high-priced "hybrids." Per oz. 25 cts., . . . . . 5  
**Picta Lorenziana (New Double Gaillardia).** Its large gay-colored double flowers are produced abundantly from July until frost, and are valuable for cutting. The colors embrace sulphur, golden-yellow, orange, amaranth, and claret, . . . . . 5

**GERANIUMS.**

Easily raised from seed, which will frequently reward the cultivator with charming new varieties. Plants from seed started early will bloom the first summer in the garden. A "packet" contains about fifty seeds.

- PER PKT.  
**Zonale.** Mixed, . . . . . 10  
**Zonale, extra choice mixed.** Saved from the best varieties of Single Geraniums, . . . . . 15  
**Fancy mixed Pelargoniums (Lady Washington Geraniums).** Very choice and rare varieties, . . . . . 25  
**Finest Double.** Produces a good percentage of fine double flowers. Packet of 10 seeds, . . . . . 25  
**Apple-Scented.** This favorite with sweet-scented leaves can best be grown from seed, . . . . . 25  
**Fordhook Fashion Geraniums** in splendid mixture, including Single and Double Geraniums and fancy Pelargoniums, embracing a grand range of forms and colors, . . . . . 20

**GLOXINIAS,—Large-Flowering Hybrids.**

Flowers from Seed in Four Months.

The art of the hybridizer is well shown in the superb, erect, large-flowering hybrids of Gloxinias, as grown and seeded at FORDHOOK FARM. Unlike the old type, with its drooping flowers and weak, thin foliage, this superb new race bears its splendid trumpet-shaped blooms gracefully erect,—thus showing the full beauty of the throat,—while the rich, large, dark-green foliage is in itself very ornamental. The flowers measure two to three inches across and three to four inches in depth. The colors, shadings, blendings, dotted and tigered markings, are enchanting in soft yet striking loveliness. The general belief is, that to succeed with Gloxinias, matured bulbs are necessary. We have found the contrary to be true, as at FORDHOOK FARM, from seed sown the 9th of March, plants began to bloom the first week in July,—four months from sowing the seed. As some caution, however, is necessary, the culture and care of Gloxinias from seed is told plainly in RARE FLOWERS FROM SEED—given free. (See page 107.)

- Erect, Large-Flowering Hybrids, best mixed.**  
 Seed saved from the grand collection at FORDHOOK FARM—all colors and markings, . . . . . 25  
*The same in half-size packets (about 100 seeds) at 15 cts.*

The illustration shown herewith was accurately engraved from a photograph taken at Fordhook Farm. We offer Trade Packets containing 1000 seeds for \$1.00.



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The top portion of a single flower-cluster, from a Photograph, of LEMOINE'S NEW GIANT HYBRID HELIOTROPE.

## New Heliotrope,—Lemoine's Giant Hybrids.

Should we devote this entire page to an illustration it would fail to give an adequate idea of the grand size and rare beauty of the flower-heads of this wonderful novelty. On one mammoth flower-head we counted *twelve thousand nine hundred and seventy-five* flowers (12,975). The trusses measure from *ten to fifteen inches* across. Their fragrance is delicious. The colors are from pure white through all shades of violet and blue to deep indigo.

Even before it comes into bloom the foliage is most noticeable; its large and glossy leaves frequently measure from five to seven inches, and are borne on strong, erect stems, growing about two feet in height. A "packet" contains about two hundred seeds.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; trade packet (1000 seeds) for 50 cts.

### HELIOTROPE.

Every one loves the delightful fragrance and beauty of the Heliotrope, but very few are aware of the fact that it can be raised from seed as easily as the Verbena.

- PER PKT.
- Dark Bouquet. Of the deepest blue in color, . . . . . 10
- The Black King. Extra rich, dark purple—nearly black, . . . . . 10
- Anna Turrell. Rich shade of dark blue, . . . . . 10
- Lady in White. Large clusters of spotless white, . . . . . 10
- Choice mixed of many varieties, . . . . . 10
- Mixed, such as generally sold, . . . . . 5

### DOUBLE HOLLYHOCKS.



#### FORDHOOK SUPERB.

The illustration conveys but a faint idea of the great beauty of the magnificent long spikes crowded with double flowers three to four inches across, and all of the brightest colors. The flowers are quite as beautiful and perfect as those of the Camellia; they are massed completely around the spikes. Beyond doubt *Chater's Superb Double Hollyhocks*, as grown by us, are the finest strain in cultivation, and will prove a revelation to many unacquainted with their remarkable perfection. A "packet" contains about eighty seeds. All colors, finest mixed. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**HOLLYHOCKS, fine Double, mixed.** A choice strain, but not equal to *Fordhook Superb Double Hollyhocks*. The large, double flowers range through a great variety of colors. It flowers the second year. Per pkt. 5 cts.

### ICE PLANT

(*Mesembryanthemum crystallinum*).

Fine for vases; singular icy foliage. Per pkt., . . . . . 5

### IPOMEEA.

Rapid-growing annual climbing vines, with ornamental foliage and beautiful, most varied-colored flowers. Valuable climbers for the garden and as easily grown as the common Morning Glory.

PER PKT.

#### SETOSA (The New Brazilian Morning Glory).

A grand and luxuriant twining vine, which twists tightly about its supports. The lobed leaves are from eight to twelve inches across. Flowers about three inches in diameter, tinted pink, with a five-pointed star of satiny pink, followed by curious, heavy seed pods, 10



IPOMEEA SETOSA.

- Bona Nox (Good Night, or Evening Glory).** Most beautiful large, violet flowers, . . . . . 5
- Coccinea (Star Ipomoea).** Dense foliage, covered with hundreds of the brightest small, scarlet flowers; very showy, . . . . . 5
- Hederacea grandiflora superba.** Rich sky-blue flowers, white margin; very handsome, . . . . . 5
- Hederacea grandiflora superba alba.** White, . . . . . 5
- Grandiflora, Striped-Leaved, mixed.** Flowers are of an intense deep ultramarine blue, edged with sky-blue, and with a pink throat, . . . . . 5
- Choice mixed.** In large variety. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . . . 5

**FORDHOOK FINE MIXED.** The plants from this mixture cannot fail to delight all purchasers, as it is prepared by ourselves from seed of many beautiful varieties, including *Ipomoea Setosa*. A single package will give an interesting variety, both in flower and foliage, while all are of the easiest growth. Per oz. 35 cts.; ½ oz. 20 cts., . . . . . 10

## Red, White, and Blue Water Lilies.

It would be difficult to name any plants more charming than these RED, WHITE, AND BLUE WATER LILIES. They can be grown from seed as readily as Asters or Balsams. They will come into full bloom from seed in less than four months, and will continue to flower freely in any tub, waterbox, or pond all summer.

**BLUE ZANZIBAR WATER LILY** (*Nymphaea Zanzibarensis azurea*). The flowers open at nine o'clock in the morning and close at four o'clock in the afternoon; when cut and put in a glass of water, the flowers will last four days, retaining their habit of opening and closing at the same hours each day. In color they vary from a clear sky-blue to a very rich deep blue; the stamens of all are of a bright golden-yellow, tipped with the same shade of blue as the petals. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**RED ZANZIBAR WATER LILY** (*Nymphaea Zanzibarensis rosea*). This is a superb variety of the preceding, identical in every respect except its color, which varies from rich pink to a deep rose, or almost crimson. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**WHITE NIGHT-BLOOMING WATER LILY** (*Nymphaea dentata*). This grand species opens its flowers at about eight o'clock at night and does not close until noon the next day. They are pure white, with petals expanded horizontally, so that the flowers are flat. Pkt. 15 cts.



### LANTANA.

PER PKT.

**Finest mixed.** The shrub-like plants are dwarf and compact in habit of growth, and are very profuse bloomers, bearing the flowers in large clusters or sprays. The plants can be taken up in the fall, well cut back, and will bloom freely all winter if placed where they can have plenty of sunlight. . . . . 10

### LARKSPUR.

Well-known annuals of great beauty, and noted for richness of their colors.

- Double Dwarf Rocket.** Finest mixed, . . . . . 5
- Tall Rocket.** Double, mixed, . . . . . 5
- New Compact Blue.** A beautiful new large-flowered dwarf variety; flowers the first season, . . . . . 10
- Emperor Larkspur.** Really splendid, a single plant having fifty or more erect spikes of flowers, . . . . . 5

### LATHYRUS (Perennial Peas).

These *Perennial Peas*, while lacking the delicious fragrance of the *Sweet Peas*, are valuable from the fact that they are in full bloom early in the spring, before the others have begun to flower. They live year after year, bearing magnificent clusters of flowers. Perfectly hardy and grow eight to ten feet high.

PER PKT.

- Purple.** Clusters of purple flowers, . . . . . 5
- White.** Clusters of the purest white flowers, . . . . . 10
- Mixed.** Easily grown; flowers purple and white, . . . . . 5
- Splendens.** This beautiful species, from California, has dark-red colored flowers and finely cut foliage, 10

### LEMON VERBENA.

This popular half-hardy shrub can be grown in the house during the winter or planted in a box and kept in the cellar. The plants grow about two feet high, branching freely, each branch terminating in a pyramid of small white flowers. The leaves have a delicate, lemon-like fragrance. Per pkt. 10 cts.

### LOBELIAS.

Very dwarf plants, growing four to six inches high and forming dense masses of flowers. Of easy culture, and well adapted for bedding or edging. A "packet" contains more than one thousand seeds.

PER PKT.

- Erinus compacta.** Deep, rich blue.  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 75 cts., . . . . . 5
- Erinus compacta alba.** White.  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. 75 cts., . . . . . 5
- Erinus, Crystal Palace.** Dark blue, splendid, . . . . . 5
- Erinus compacta oculata.** Flowers of the deepest blue, with a clear white eye, . . . . . 10
- Star of Ischl.** Charming dark-blue flowers, . . . . . 10
- White Gem.** Dense balls of purest white, . . . . . 10
- Finest Mixed Erinus Varieties.** Per oz. 50 cts., . . . . . 5

### MARIGOLDS (African).

The African varieties are stronger in habit and produce larger flowers than the French. A "packet" contains about one hundred and eighty seeds.

PER PKT.

- African Double, mixed.** All varieties, . . . . . 5
- El Dorado, or Dahlia-Flowered.** The flowers are perfectly double and of enormous size, . . . . . 5
- Lemon Queen.** Globular flowers of light lemon, . . . . . 10

### MARIGOLDS (French Dwarf).

Those who are familiar only with the tall or straggling Marigold can scarcely realize the unusual beauty of these dwarf, compact strains.

PER PKT.

- Brown Marble.** The flowers are perfectly double and of a rich reddish-brown, marked with orange, 10
- Double Pulchra.** Double, of rich golden-yellow, with deep, velvety-brown center, . . . . . 10
- Orange Ball.** Double; rich orange color, . . . . . 5
- French Compact Gold Striped.** Handsome flowers, 5
- French Double Dwarf.** Mixed colors. Double, . . . . . 5



NEW FRENCH MARIGOLD,—LEGION OF HONOR.

### NEW MARIGOLD,—Legion of Honor.

Dwarf, compact, about fifteen inches high, with dark-green, fern-like leaves, furnishing a striking background for the bright, golden, star-like flowers distributed over the surface. The blooms are of rich golden-yellow, with the center of each petal broadly marked with velvety crimson-brown. A "packet" contains about one hundred and fifty seeds. Per pkt. 10 cts.



NEW TOM THUMB,—MARVEL-OF-PERU.

**MARVEL-OF-PERU (Mirabilis).**

The *Marvel-of-Peru*, or *Four-o'clock*, is as easily grown as a weed, and yet is one of the most brilliant and showy of annuals. Planted in beds or masses, their profusion of bloom presents a gorgeous sight during the afternoon. A "packet" contains about forty seeds.

- PER PKT.
- Marvel-of-Peru, mixed.** All colors. Per oz. 15 cts. 5
- Variegated.** Brilliant flowers, in rich contrast to the lovely gold-striped foliage. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . 5
- White Tom Thumb.** Only ten inches high, . . . 5
- New Tom Thumb, mixed.** Very handsome, compact, dwarf, bushy plants, with elegant golden-variegated foliage; numerous brilliant flowers, pure yellow, deep red, and striped and blotched, . . . 5
- Longiflora.** Tubular white flowers, very sweet, . . 5
- Multiflora.** The name *Multiflora* (many-flowered) comes from its large violet flowers collected together in bouquets of nine to twelve. It flowers from seed the first year and is perfectly hardy, . . . . . 10

**THE MOON FLOWER.**

No one who has a trellis or arbor to cover should neglect to plant **THE MOON FLOWER**—the most rapid growing of all annual climbing vines.

**THE MOON FLOWER—The Old "Original" Variety.** Makes an immense growth of vine and dense, glossy, green foliage, but must be started early to flower in the North. The large flowers are a beautiful blue and others pure white. *Even when it does not bloom it is one of the handsomest vines in cultivation*, on account of its quick-growing and dense foliage. Pkt. 10 cts.

**THE MOON FLOWER—White-Seeded.** This is the variety most generally grown, being larger in flower,



firmer in texture, and of sweeter odor than the *Black-seeded* variety, which we have now discarded; the vines are almost covered with thousands of immense white flowers, many of them measuring over seven inches across. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**THE MOON FLOWER—New Cross-Bred, or Hybrid Variety.** Of great value for the North, as it is in full bloom one month before the *White-Seeded*. The flowers are four to six inches across, and very numerous. The foliage is of

three distinct types. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



NEW QUAKER CITY MIGNONETTE.

**MIGNONETTE.**

The *Mignonette* (a French name for *My Little Darling*) is a universal favorite on account of its sweet and delicate fragrance. The seed should be scattered liberally in sunny situations. The flowers of some of the newer varieties, described below, are of wonderful perfection. A "packet" contains nearly seven hundred seeds.

- PER PKT.
- Common Sweet Mignonette.** Per oz. 10 cts., . . . 5
- Improved Sweet Mignonette.** Per oz. 10 cts., . . . 5
- Giant Pyramidal.** Of compact, pyramidal habit. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . 5
- Parson's White Tree.** The best white. Per oz. 30 cts. 5
- Golden Queen.** A fine variety, with flowers of a golden hue. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . . . 5

**QUAKER CITY.** The flower spikes are of great substance, very full, rounded at the top, of a handsome gold-red color, and unusually rich, sweet fragrance. The foliage is very dark green, and the magnificent heads are produced profusely and continuously. ½ oz. 50 cts., . . . . . 10

**IMPROVED GOLDEN QUEEN.** The foliage is a beautiful green, while the large flower spikes are densely covered with florets of a pleasing, light, golden-yellow color; deliciously fragrant; none better for cutting. ½ oz. 25 cts.; per oz. 50 cts., . . . 5

**PURE MACHET.** Of vigorous, pyramidal growth, with very thick, dark-green leaves; numerous stout flower stalks, bearing massive spikes of deliciously-scented gray flowers, of great substance. ½ oz. 20 cts.; per oz. 35 cts., . . . . . 5

**NEW GIANT-FLOWERED RED.** The plants are of pyramidal form and elegant appearance, grow compactly and vigorously twelve to sixteen inches, and are very abundant in bloom. The flower spikes are of the largest size, and the single blossoms are of a striking red color. All who know the gray-colored *Machet Mignonette* and its fine flowers will welcome this distinct **NEW GIANT RED** when they learn that it is larger both in flower spikes and individual flowers, while the color is a strikingly distinct red. ½ oz. 40 cts.; per oz. 75 cts., . . . . . 10

**ERFURT.** A splendid variety, with large, full spikes of fragrant gray flowers. Per oz. 75 cts., . . . . . 10

**NEW GIANT GABRIELLE.** Hardy and vigorous in growth, with strong, large spikes of delicious fragrance. We are confident it will give general satisfaction. 3 pkts. 25 cts.; ½ oz. 40 cts., . . . . . 10

**MIXED,** including many varieties, but not equal to the "*Fordhook Finest*,"—a new special mixture described below. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . . . 5

**Giant White Spiral.** Botanically this is not really a *Mignonette*, but a species—*Reseda alba*. In some localities it is fragrant; it is quite showy in growth, with very long spikes of bloom, . . . . . 5

**NEW GOLDEN MACHET.** For description of this beautiful *New Mignonette*, see *Novelties for 1897*, . . . 10

**FORDHOOK FINEST MIGNONETTES, Mixed.** We annually grow at **FORDHOOK** a large area of the choicest *Mignonettes* for seed. This year we have made a special mixture of seed of the finest varieties, including nearly equal proportions of *Pure Machet*, *The New Giant Red*, *Erfurt*, *Improved Golden Queen*, and *Quaker City*, which we offer at 10 cts. per large pkt. (about one thousand seeds); 3 pkts. for 25 cts., or ½ oz. for 35 cts.; per oz. 65 cts. This mixture is especially recommended.

# New Imperial JAPANESE MORNING GLORIES.

These grand new MORNING GLORIES from Japan are remarkable for the *large size* and *exquisite new colors* of the flowers, with magnificent foliage, often beautifully blotched. Of strong, robust growth, the vines grow quickly to a height of twelve to twenty feet.

"They are of all shades of red, from the most delicate pink to the most brilliant crimson and maroon, and innumerable shades of blue, from pale lavender to richest indigo and royal purple; also white, yellow, gray, slate, copper color, brown, bronze, almost black, and many other odd shades not found in any other flower. Many varieties have a distinct marginal band of a different color from the rest of the flower, and some are as elegantly spotted with pink, crimson, blue, brown, etc., as the finest Gloxinias; others are striped, blotched, mottled, rayed, and shaded in an indescribable manner, often having seven or eight colors and tints in one flower. Many are of very odd and singular forms; some have the petals separate and distinct clear to the base, others have the tube of the flower bent down on itself at a sharp angle and then bent back again." Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



"MIKADO."

## TALL MORNING GLORIES.

Seed of the well-known Morning Glory is so cheap, the flowers so bright, and the vines of such rapid growth, that it should be largely planted to cover trellises and unsightly out-houses.

**Striped.** Flowers variously striped and blotched with red, blue, and rose. Per pkt. 5 cts.; per oz. 10 cts.

**Fine mixed.** A great variety of colors of the popular old-fashioned Morning Glory. Pkt. 5 cts.; per oz. 10 cts.

## DWARF MORNING GLORIES.

A beautiful plant of trailing habit, growing twelve inches high. They make a fine border. PER PKT.

- Crimson-Violet.** White, margined crimson-violet, . . . 5
- Striped.** White striped with blue; pretty, . . . . . 5
- Tricolor Roseus.** Rose-colored with white center, . . . . . 5
- Mixed.** Many bright colors. Per oz. 10 cts., . . . . . 5
- Mauritanicus.** A prostrate twining plant. Bears handsome blue flowers with white throat, . . . . . 5

## NEW TOM THUMB NASTURTIUMS.

**AURORA.** The ground color is a chrome-yellow, while the two lower petals are veined with purplish-carmine. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.

**BRONZE-COLORED.** The flowers, of good size, are of a beautiful burnished bronze color. Per pkt. 5 cts.

**BROWN-RED.** Deep brown-red flowers of velvety appearance. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.

**COMPACT LUSTROUS.** Flowers of a flashing, most vivid scarlet color. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 30 cts.

**GENERAL JACQUEMINOT.** The color is wonderfully rich, nearly the same very intense deep red as in the *General Jacqueminot* Rose. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**PRINCE HENRY.** (See illustration.) Color bright, shining yellow, beautifully spotted and marbled with glowing bright scarlet; the foliage is light. Per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 30 cts.

**NEW BRILLIANT YELLOW.** Bears an abundance of beautiful, rich yellow flowers, of the most brilliant shade imaginable. Per pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 30 cts.

**NEW TOM THUMB.—FINEST MIXED.** We have made a superb mixture of the most beautiful new varieties including all named above. Per large pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 20 cts.; 2 ozs. 35 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00.



A "packet" of NASTURTIUMS contains from 25 to 40 seeds; an ounce from 175 to 225 seeds.



THE NEW HYBRIDS OF MADAME GUNTER.

## NASTURTIIUMS.

Were we asked to name the three most popular flowers grown from seed we should answer unhesitatingly, SWEET PEAS, PANSIES, and NASTURTIIUMS. Few flowers impart such rich "bits of beauty" to the garden as the different types of NASTURTIIUMS. They grow and thrive everywhere,—in fact, they bloom brilliantly in the poorest soil.

In addition to their use in the garden and on trellises we would recommend planting the seed freely along fences, hedges, etc., or wherever it is desired to have bright colors in profusion. The cut flowers can be arranged gracefully for house decoration.

### New Climbing Nasturtiums "HYBRIDS OF MADAME GUNTER,"

These new HYBRIDS OF MADAME GUNTER make a strong growth, climbing from five to six feet high, and are covered from spring to fall with large, substantial flowers of the most brilliant shades. They are remarkable for their wide range of colors, embracing rose, pink, salmon, purple, velvety dark maroon, light yellow, and deep orange in self colors, as well as striped and blotched in the most fanciful manner. So ornamental is this new strain that it deserves a place in every garden, either for climbing or trailing from vases, or over the ground. Per. pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.

## TALL NASTURTIIUMS.

Few flowers, either as climbing vines or trailing on the ground, are more attractive and bright than the common Tall Nasturtiums! We offer the finest varieties. A farm or rural home can hardly have too many Nasturtiums, and we recommend buying the seed by the ounce.

Each variety named below, price 5 cts. per pkt., or 20 cts. per oz.

- Dark Crimson.** Deep, rich, and velvety.
- Dunnett's Orange.** Bright orange, blotched red.
- Edward Otto.** Light brown, with yellow spur.
- Golden-leaved Scarlet (Golden Climber,** also called *Scarlet and Gold*.) The light, yellow foliage contrasts brightly with the deep-scarlet flowers.
- Heinemanni.** Silky bronze-chocolate.
- Pearl.** Approaching a creamy-white.
- Regelium.** Purple-violet flowers.
- Scarlet.** Intensely bright scarlet.
- Scheuerianum.** Flowers of a straw color, splashed crimson, with brick-red blotches.
- Scheuerianum coccineum.** Very bright flowers of a deep, flaming orange-scarlet color.

**MIXED COLORS.** Many bright colors of the well-known Tall Nasturtiums. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb 50 cts.; per lb \$1.50, ~~50~~ postpaid.

## THE HEMISPHERE NASTURTIIUM.

This distinct variety (*Tropæolum Hemisphericum*) should be allowed a clear space in which to develop, so as to show its peculiar habit of growth. Of spreading, rounded form, each plant resembles a giant round ball (or orange) cut in half and set on the flat part. The leaves are of large size, and, commencing at the ground, slightly overlap each other, thus making a dense, rounded mound of dark-green foliage, fifteen inches in height. The bright, pretty flowers, just appearing between the leaves, are of a rich lemon-yellow, with throat blotches of deep crimson. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.



NEW TROPÆOLUM LOBBIANUM—GOLD GARNET.

## LOBB'S NASTURTIIUMS.

As easily grown as the common Tall Nasturtium, which they surpass in the remarkable brilliancy of their flowers. They make beautiful hedges grown on brush, as are Sweet Peas, while they can also be trailed to a greater height. In vases they are particularly attractive hanging over the sides, while grown simply trailing on the ground they are always surpassingly beautiful.

- Gold-Garnet.** Superb flowers of shining yellow richly marbled with garnet. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.
- Lucifer.** The richest, deep crimson. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.
- Spitfire.** New, entirely true from seed; the brightest and most glowing of all. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.
- Cardinal.** Very striking and brilliant flowers, of a dark cardinal color. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 25 cts.
- Giant of Battles.** Sulphur, spotted with red. 5 cts.
- King of the Blacks.** Very dark brown. Per pkt. 5 cts.

**LOBB'S NASTURTIIUMS, finest mixed.** Besides the six types here described this embraces seed of other most beautiful varieties. So brilliant are the flowers and so easy to grow that where once known they will be in demand every year. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

## FORDHOOK FAVORITE Mixture of CLIMBING NASTURTIIUMS.

Now for the second time we offer this special mixture, made by ourselves. It is comprised of the best types of Lobb's Nasturtiums with all the finest Tall Nasturtiums including *Golden-Leaved* and *The New Hybrids of Madame Gunter*, described above. Per large pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; ¼ lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50, postpaid.



**TOM THUMB NASTURTIUMS.**

The improved Dwarf or Tom Thumb Nasturtiums are unrivaled in beauty and effect. When planted in poor soil, they flower most profusely and remain long in bloom. We recommend a liberal use of the seed.

- Tom Thumb Beauty.** Yellow and scarlet, . . . . . 5
- Cæruleum roseum.** Beautiful peach color, . . . . . 5
- Crystal Palace Gem.** Sulphur-spotted maroon, . . . . . 5
- Pearl.** Straw color, fine for contrast. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . . . 5
- Empress of India.** The leaves are of a dark purplish-blue color, making a suitable background for the brilliant crimson-scarlet flowers. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . . . 5
- King of Tom Thumbs.** Intense scarlet flowers, with rich, dark foliage. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . . . 5
- Lady Bird.** The ground color of the flowers is rich golden-yellow, each petal barred with a broad vein of bright ruby-crimson. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . . . 5
- Rose.** A delicate shade, very attractive, . . . . . 5
- Spotted King.** Rich orange, spotted with maroon, . . . . . 5
- Golden King.** Golden-yellow; very fine, . . . . . 5
- Ruby King.** Ruby-rose, dark foliage, . . . . . 5
- King Theodore.** Very dark, deep crimson, . . . . . 5

**TOM THUMB NASTURTIUMS, Mixed.** Including all the above and other choice colors. Plant freely. Per oz. 15 cts.; ¼ lb 40 cts.; per lb \$1.25, . . . . . 5

**Cloth of Gold.** The foliage is a clear, bright yellow. The plant is of dwarf, compact habit, very beautiful, even before coming into bloom, while the deep-scarlet flowers, intermingled among the yellow leaves, add to its beauty. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . . . 5

**NICOTIANA AFFINIS.**

The most ornamental of all flowering varieties of the Tobacco Plant. Produces splendid pure white, Bouvardia-like flowers on long terminal tubes. When its large flowers are fully expanded in the evening and morning it has a most striking effect, and is so fragrant that a small bed will perfume the whole surrounding atmosphere. Very easily grown. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**ORNAMENTAL GOURDS.**

A large and interesting class, producing a great variety of curious fruits, many of which are peculiarly marked.

- Gooseberry.** Small, green fruits, . . . . . 5
- Lemon.** Yellow fruits, . . . . . 5
- Hercules' Club.** Club-shaped, four feet long, . . . . . 5
- Japanese Nest Egg.** See description, page 43, . . . . . 10
- Miniature Bottle-Shaped,** . . . . . 5
- Onion.** Small, yellow, . . . . . 5
- Orange.** The well-known Mock Orange, . . . . . 5
- Pear-Shaped.** Green, striped with cream, . . . . . 5
- Melopepo.** Flat, striped green and white, . . . . . 5
- Apple.** Small, handsome fruits, . . . . . 5
- Fine mixed.** From a large collection. Per oz. 40 cts., . . . . . 5

**OXALIS.**

Exceedingly free-flowering little plants with lively foliage, and entirely covered with bright flowers from June to September. Very useful for edgings.

- Rosea.** Deep-rose flowers and graceful, clover-like foliage; six to seven inches, . . . . . 5
- Tropæoides.** Neat, beautiful brown leaves, and small bright-yellow flowers, only three to four inches high, . . . . . 5
- Valdiviana.** Light, clover-like foliage with numerous light lemon-yellow flowers; large growth, . . . . . 5
- Choice mixed.** Including above and others, . . . . . 5



IMPROVED GIANT TRIMARDEAU PANSY.

**PANSIES.**

Pansy seed is a specialty with us. We have not only the largest and finest collection of varieties in the world, but also the very best seed of each variety. A "packet" contains about one hundred and fifty seeds of separate varieties, and three hundred seeds of mixed.

- Improved Giant Trimardeau.** Remarkable for the extra large size of the flowers, which, however, are not so circular in form as the Imperial German. The flowers are carried well above the foliage, and most of the flowers are marked with three large blotches or spots. Per ¼ oz. 60 cts.; oz. \$4.00, . . . . . 10
- Odier, or Blotched.** Superb flowers, of fine form and beautifully blotched with rich colors. Per ¼ oz. 60 cts.; oz. \$4.00, . . . . . 5
- Cassier's Giant Odier.** The flowers, of immense size, are of the popular Odier type, being all three-spotted or five-spotted. Per ¼ oz. 75 cts.; oz. \$5.50, . . . . . 10
- Quadricolor, or Pheasant's Eye (Rainbow).** Upper petals sky-blue, edged with violet; the lower petals are marbled and spotted. Per ¼ oz. 50 cts.; oz. \$1.50, . . . . . 5
- Prince Bismarck.** Beautiful shades of brown and golden-bronze marbled. Per ¼ oz. 40 cts.; oz. \$1.25, . . . . . 5
- Snow Queen, or Snowflake.** Flowers of a delicate pure satiny-white. Per ¼ oz. 40 cts.; oz. \$1.25, . . . . . 5
- King of the Blacks, or Faust.** Flowers intensely dark, almost coal-black. Per ¼ oz. 40 cts.; oz. \$1.25, . . . . . 5
- Lord Beaconsfield.** Deep purple-violet, shading off in the top petals to a white hue. Per ¼ oz. 40 cts.; oz. \$1.25, . . . . . 5
- Emperor William.** Ultra-marine blue, with violet eye. Per ¼ oz. 40 cts.; oz. \$1.25, . . . . . 5
- Delicata.** Light porcelain-blue, with white center, . . . . . 5
- Light Blue.** Lovely, nearly sky-blue. ¼ oz. 40 cts., . . . . . 5
- Deep Indigo Blue.** Per ¼ oz. 40 cts.; oz. \$1.25, . . . . . 5
- Pelargoniflora.** Flowers resembling Pelargoniums, . . . . . 5
- Rose Marbled.** Very beautiful, . . . . . 5
- Striped and Mottled.** Per ¼ oz. 40 cts.; oz. \$1.25, . . . . . 5
- Dark Purple.** Rich, deep color. Per ¼ oz. 40 cts., . . . . . 5
- Silver-Edged.** Dark purple, white border, . . . . . 5
- Gold-Margined.** Strikingly handsome, . . . . . 5
- Pure Yellow.** Large golden flowers. Per ¼ oz. 40 cts., . . . . . 5
- English "Face" Pansy.** Flowers light and dark-blue in color, each marked with a distinct "face," . . . . . 5
- Large-Flowering, very fine mixed.** Embracing all the colors of German Pansies, — superior imported grade. ¼ oz. 25 cts.; ½ oz. 40 cts.; oz. \$1.25, 10
- Good Quality, mixed.** As imported; many rich colors. Per ¼ oz. 25 cts.; per oz. 85 cts., . . . . . 5

**FORDHOOK BEDDING PANSIES.**

In going over our trials of Pansies, we are pleased, as usual, with the trueness to type of the different strains, but it occurs to us that some of our customers may not be quite satisfied with the variety of colors in the two mixtures named above.

This is our own mixture of Pansies for Bedding, properly blended from separate colors, seed of *Three- and Five-Spotted, Quadricolor, or Pheasant's Eye, Snow Queen, King of the Blacks, Lord Beaconsfield, Emperor William, Light Blue, Deep Indigo Blue, Dark Purple, Silver-Edged, Gold-Margined, Yellow, and the Striped Varieties.* These are not of the giant-flowered but of the free-flowering, circular German varieties, and will give excellent satisfaction — nearly as good as the higher-priced *Imperial German.* Per pkt. 5 cts.; 5 pkts. for 25 cts.; ¼ oz. 40 cts.; ½ oz. 75 cts.; per oz. \$1.40.

# BURPEE'S DEFIANCE PANSIES.



## Largest Circular Pansies Known.

These magnificent Pansies introduced by us in 1888 are the finest *Giant-flowered* Pansies in cultivation to-day. The individual flowers frequently measure *two and a half to four inches across*; of perfect form, circular shape, they are also of unusual substance. In colors they embrace the distinct types named below. The plants are also quite remarkable (in contrast with most *Giant-flowered* Pansies) for their compact, bushy growth and their free-flowering character.



**Burpee's Defiance Pansies** produce flowers of the largest size, perfect form, and of the richest colors.

**FINEST MIXED, All Colors.** Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts. Trade packet of 1000 seeds 75 cts.;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz. \$1.25;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. \$2.50. A retail "packet" contains about one hundred seeds.

**GIANT FANCY, Finest Mixed.** This includes both the *three-spotted* and *five-spotted* of all colors. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts. Trade packet of 1000 seeds 75 cts.;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz. \$1.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. \$3.00.

The following separate varieties of Burpee's DEFIANCE Pansies are each 15 cts. per pkt.; four pkts. for 50 cts., or any ten pkts. for \$1.00.

1. **Giant Auricula.**—Large flowers of rare shades.
2. **Giant Royal Purple.**—Flowers of unusual size; deep, rich, royal purple in color.
3. **Giant Pure Gold.**—Extremely showy; magnificent, bright golden-yellow flowers with black face.
4. **Giant Fancy Striped.**—Enormous flowers, brilliantly flamed and striped, in many colors.
5. **Giant Emperor William.**—Lovely ultramarine blue, with distinct dark-blue eye.
6. **Giant Beaconsfield.**—Extra large flowers, of deep violet, shading off at the top to a white hue.
7. **Giant Black.**—Double in size of the old Faust.
8. **Giant Spotted White.**—Giant pure white flowers, with deep violet spots on each of the lower petals.
9. **GIANT FANCY Three-Spotted.**—The ground colors are of all shades, and the three lower petals are each distinctly marked with a large blotch.
10. **GIANT FANCY Five-Spotted.**—Each petal has a large, distinct blotch, after the manner of the *Cassier's Giant Odier*, but greatly improved in form and size.
11. **GIANT SHOW.**—This class embraces the best "self" or solid colors,—all gigantic flowers.

A TRADE PACKET of 1000 seeds, any of the above, for 75 cts.;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz. for \$1.75.

## EIGHT ELEGANT PANSIES.

- CARDINAL.** The flowers are a brilliant brownish-scarlet, the lower petals each being marked with a dark-brown blotch. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.
- FIRE KING.** The three lower petals each have a large blotch of deep brown-red or magenta margined with yellow, while the upper petals are of a bright reddish-brown, of a really fiery shade. Per pkt. 10 cts.
- EMPEROR FREDERICK.** Velvety-brown, shaded into a narrow band of deep golden-yellow, which borders each petal. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.
- METEOR.** Color, bright canary-yellow; the three lower petals are spotted with mahogany-brown, while the two upper petals vary from reddish-brown to dark purple, margined with gold or silver. Per pkt. 10 cts.
- PEACOCK.** The lovely ultramarine blue contained in the upper petals most nearly resembles this color in the feathers of a peacock. The name is further justified by the beautiful, almost iridescent blending of colors. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.
- ROSY MORN.** This is a really beautiful rosy-red color, with a distinct white edge around each petal, while the three lower petals are blotched with a deep purplish-red. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.
- VICTORIA RED.** The flowers are throughout of a beautiful, rich, deep-red color, far superior to the Red Riding-Hood Pansy. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.
- THE BUGNOT PANSIES.** The petals are beautifully blotched after the manner of *Cassier's Giant Odier*, but differ in the fact that the color of the blotches radiates through the ground color on the margin of the petals. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

## ROYAL PRIZE PANSIES.

FANCY, SHOWY, AND GIANT VARIETIES IN  
SPLENDID MIXTURE.

For many years we have made a great specialty of Pansy Seed, and have the largest collection of varieties. Our trials have been most comprehensive, while we have repeatedly visited all the leading growers in Europe. We here ask attention to our *new departure*. Under the name of **ROYAL PRIZE PANSIES**, we have grouped together all the best English, French, and German *show Pansies*, fancy, striped, and spotted Pansies, and also the giant-flowered Pansies of the improved *Trimardeau* and *Cassier's Giant Odier* type. This mixture is made up of the separate varieties we have carefully noted as the very best, and never before has it been possible for the purchaser to obtain in one packet so many distinct strains. Per pkt. of about 250 seeds, 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz. 50 cts.; per oz. \$3.50.



## SWEET-SCENTED PANSIES.

The fact is that thorough trials at FORDHOOK FARM have demonstrated that they are *not a new strain*, but the seed is merely a mixture of a few varieties of Pansies that have a fragrance with large-flowering *Violas*, which are *sweet-scented*, but are not *new* as a novelty should be. With this explanation we now offer seed of **Sweet-Scented Pansies**, but must caution purchasers not to expect the brilliant colors contained in all our other mixtures of Pansies. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



## IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES.

The following are each **TEN CENTS** per packet.

1. **Black Prince.**—Magnificent flowers. The rich, glossy black has a peculiarly soft, velvety appearance.
2. **Black-Blue.**—Intensely rich; very distinct.
3. **Crown Prince.**—Flowers of rare beauty, of a deep velvety black, with well-defined, rich, golden-bronze face.
4. **Dark Mahogany with White Margin.**—The darkest mahogany, with a clear-cut edge of pure white.
5. **Dark Mahogany with Yellow Margin.**
6. **Deep Yellow.**—Very rich, spotless.
7. **Emperor William, Improved.**—Always true.
8. **Gloriosa Perfecta, or Improved Quadricolor.**—Of a reddish, steel-blue color, with white and pink edge. Of surpassing beauty, called the *Rainbow Pansy*.
9. **Improved Fancy Striped.**—Handsome flamed or striped in the most brilliant and exquisite colors.
10. **Jet Black.**—(Dr. Faust, or Black Knight.)
11. **Large Spotted Yellow.**—Very attractive.
12. **Large Spotted White.**—Showy flowers.
13. **Large Spotted Mixed.**—Each flower superbly spotted or blotched on the three lower petals.
14. **Light Blue.**—Delicate color.
15. **Marbled Mixed.**—Beautifully marbled.
16. **Odier, or Five-Spotted.**—Of unrivaled beauty; each petal has a large blotch, with clearly-defined margin.
17. **Purple Mantle.**—A splendid, very rich color.
18. **Red Riding-Hood.**—Shades of brilliant red.
19. **Rosy-Lilac.**—A quiet, pleasing color.
20. **Silver Seam.**—Deep purple with edge of white.
21. **Snow Queen, or Snow Fairy.**—Spotless white.
22. **Ultramarine Blue.**—Beaconsfield, improved.
23. **Golden Bronze, Marbled.**—Odd and striking.
24. **Fancy Varieties, Splendid Mixed.**—Most beautiful fancy striped, blotched, and mottled flowers.
25. **Show Varieties, Splendid Mixed.**—All the best solid colors or "Selfs," saved from named flowers.

**IMPERIAL GERMAN SPLENDID MIXED.** This mixture embraces seeds of over fifty markings. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.; 10 pkts. for \$1.00; per  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz. 65 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. \$1.25; per oz. \$4.50.

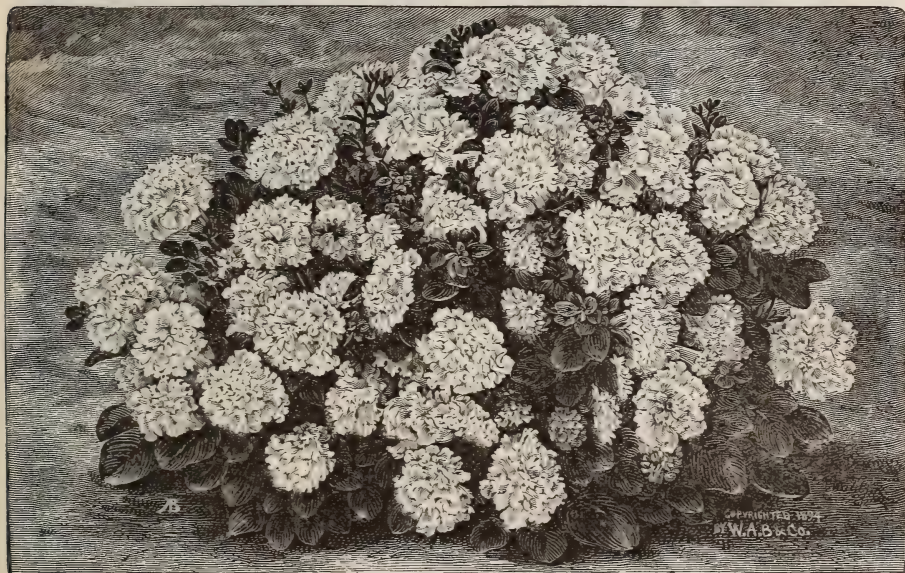


IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSY,—THE BLACK PRINCE.

## IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES.

THE IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES are famous for their almost endless variety of charming shades of color, united with large size and perfect form of flowers. They embrace all the solid or self colors; delicately-shaded flowers; five-spotted and three-spotted; edged or bordered flowers of various colors, each with a distinct rim of white, yellow, or blue; dark and light marbled varieties; flowers with clear, distinct eyes; striped flowers of striking beauty, and vividly colored fancy varieties, blotched, veined, marbled, and margined.

A "packet" of Imperial German Pansies, splendid mixed, contains about one hundred and fifty seeds.



FORDHOOK FANCY FRINGED DOUBLE PETUNIA. Engraved from a Photograph of one plant.

## FORDHOOK FANCY FRINGED DOUBLE PETUNIAS.

For years we have made careful trials of Double Petunias, but this is better than any seed we have previously been able to obtain. In fact, an enthusiastic admirer on seeing these flowers exclaimed, "They are revelations of beauty of form and color!" They embrace a wide range of colors, and show finer combinations than we have heretofore found in any double Petunias, including delicate mauve, porcelain-blue, white, garnet, and velvet shades. The delicate blue and white flowers, freely produced, are particularly noteworthy. This carefully hybridized seed will yield a larger percentage of double flowers than any other Petunias in cultivation to-day.

Per pkt. 25 cts.; 5 pkts. for \$1.00; per Trade Packet of 1000 seeds, \$1.50.





A Flower, natural size, of BURPEE'S DEFIANCE PETUNIA, as grown at Fordhook Farm.

## BURPEE'S DEFIANCE LARGEST-FLOWERING PETUNIAS.

The illustration shows a single flower, accurately drawn from nature; this flower is in no way exaggerated, either in size, depth, or richness. We have frequently measured flowers *over five inches in diameter*, while the colors are indescribably rich and varied. They embrace all colors, from pure white to the darkest blue and deep red, while even flowers with a yellow tint are not unusual. All of the flowers are beautifully fringed and delicately and distinctly veined. In nearly every flower the throat is darker than the balance of the petals, imparting an appearance of great depth and substance. The foliage is remarkably heavy, and the large leaves are of a rich, dark green. A "packet" contains three hundred seeds.

Per pkt. 25 cts.; 3 pkts. for 60 cts.; 5 pkts. for \$1.00.

### PETUNIA, —Grandiflora.

The *New Large-Flowering Petunias* are really wonderful, and have been the admiration of all visitors to our seed gardens.

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|   | PER PKT. |
| <b>Large-Flowering, mixed.</b> All colors of <i>Grandiflora</i> ,   | 10       |
| <b>New Dark-Blue, or Clematis-Flowered.</b> The large flowers are of <i>very intense, dark-blue color</i> ,   | 15       |
| <b>Green Margined.</b> Large flowers, beautiful light-rose color with handsomely veined throats <i>broadly margined with light green</i> ,  | 15       |
| <b>Giant Rainbow.</b> Very handsome flowers, each with a clear, yellow throat, richly penciled,   | 15       |
| <b>Giant Ruffled White.</b> Each plant is covered with gigantic pure white flowers, of which the petals are ruffled in a most artistic manner,  | 10       |
| <b>Giant Fringed White.</b> Equally as free-blooming, this differs only in that the magnificent pure white flowers, measuring three to four inches across, are delicately fringed on the edges, | 10       |

### PETUNIAS, —GIANT EMPEROR.

The flowers, of the largest size, are *extremely velvety*, of great substance, and are particularly noted for richness and depth of coloring. They are plain edged, average about four inches in diameter, and while embracing some light colors, even pure white, they are specially distinguished for such shades as violet, rich blue, and deep garnet. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

### GIANTS OF CALIFORNIA.

THE GIANTS OF CALIFORNIA bear the gigantic flowers (often five inches and more in diameter), of an astonishing variety of colors. They embrace every conceivable shade of crimson, aurora, pink, lavender, pure white, etc. One of the chief points of excellence is the deep throat and diversity of veinings in the throat. Many of the flowers have a *clear yellow throat*, while others have a *pure vegetable black one*, so deep that it seems to show no veining. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

**PETUNIA.**

Most valuable plants, succeeding well everywhere. They are particularly showy in beds or masses, and are universal favorites on account of their richness of color, fragrance, and continuous blooming.

- PER PKT.
- Hybrida, finest mixed.** Embracing all colors, including striped and blotched varieties. A "packet" contains about two thousand seeds. ¼ oz. 30 cts., . . . 10
  - Hybrida, mixed.** Good imported seed. Oz. 50 cts., 5
  - New Dwarf Inimitable.** Little bushy plants of five to eight inches in height. Per ½ oz. 75 cts., . . . 10
  - DOUBLE PETUNIA.** Saved from a good collection, but not equal to Fordhook Fancy-Fringed Double Petunia. A "packet" of Double Petunia contains about one hundred seeds, . . . . . 15

**PHLOX DRUMMONDII.**

Few flowers are more showy or brilliant than this popular annual, which thrives so universally throughout our country. The improved Grandiflora varieties, particularly the *Fordhook Strain*, are exceptionally beautiful.

- PER PKT.
- Fine mixed.** All colors of the original type of *Phlox Drummondii*. Per oz. 50 cts., . . . 5
  - Alba Grandiflora (Pure White).** Our strain of this is really magnificent, the chaste white flowers being of unusual size and perfect form. Per oz. \$1.00, . . . 5
  - Carnea.** A very beautiful Phlox; flowers of a delicate, fleshy pink, with chamois-rose center, . . . 5
  - Large Blood-Red.** The darkest colored of all, being of the deepest blood-red color, . . . . . 5
  - Eclipse.** Bright, rosy purple, deepening to violet, . . 5
  - Splendens.** Bright red, with white eye, . . . . . 5

**NEW LARGE YELLOW PHLOX.**

Among the acres of *Phlox Drummondii Grandiflora* growing at Fordhook few have excited such attention as the bed of this *New Large Yellow Phlox*. It is a rich straw-yellow, of warm and glowing tone, while the flowers are of extra large size and fine form. The clusters of bloom are magnificent. Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



**PHLOXES, "Starred and Fringed."**

These "Starred and Fringed Phloxes" are really entitled to rank as a new race, and the most striking novelties in Phloxes ever introduced. In the *Fringed Flowers* the petals are partly fimbriate and partly three-toothed, all distinctly bordered with white, which, together with the bright eye of the center, contrasts with the magnificent velvety colors, in more than twenty distinct shades. In the *Starred Phloxes* the pointed central teeth of the petals are five to six times as long as the lateral ones and project beyond them like little spines, giving the flowers a distinctly marked, regular, star-like form. A "packet" contains more than two hundred seeds.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.



**Burpee's Fordhook Strain of PHLOX DRUMMONDII GRANDIFLORA.**

This strain of mixed, large-flowering Phlox is noteworthy for variety and brilliancy of colors. So successful have we been that our seed crops of several acres have attracted the attention of all visitors to FORDHOOK. Within a few feet visitors have frequently gathered bouquets embracing as many as twenty-six distinct types and colors of Phlox, so uniformly was the remarkable range of colors distributed.

Not only is our strain notable for variety and brilliancy of colors, but also for the perfection and size of the flowers—many of the single flowers are so large they will very nearly cover a fifty-cent piece. When our customers see the brilliancy and pleasing variety of colors produced from this seed, they will thank us for recommending a liberal planting. A "packet" contains more than two hundred seeds.

Per pkt. 10 cts.; ¼ oz. 30 cts.; per oz. \$1.00.

**PHLOX HORTENSÆFLORA.**

While the plants attain only half the size, they bear flower-heads fully as large as the *Grandiflora*,—making a most beautiful effect; of a delicate shade of pink.

Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

**PHLOX DRUMMONDII, New Dwarf.**

A lovely strain, the plants growing only six to eight inches high and covered with bright flowers. We offer *Fireball*, scarlet; *Snowball*, pure white, and extra fine mixed, of many colors, each at 10 cts. per pkt.

**FLOWERS FOR EVERY HOME,—Costs only Ten Cents.**

This is a book for the million who love flowers! It is written in easy conversational style by E. D. DARLINGTON, who plainly tells how to succeed with flowers in the home and in the garden. Have you read it? If not, we would advise you to do so—and you will learn much to help you to Beautify Home Surroundings. Mailed for 10 cts., or with our other new book for the million, "VEGETABLES FOR THE HOME GARDEN,"—both books for 16 cts



**POPPIES.**

Poppy seed is very small; it should be sown quite thickly and then the plants can be thinned out. A "packet" contains more than one thousand seeds.

**GOLDEN GATE POPPIES.** Recall to mind every color you have seen in Poppies, then imagine every conceivable combination of colors,—striped, blotched, edged, and bordered, on both single, semi-double, and double flowers,—and you will have but a faint idea of the wondrously varied beauty of the new **Golden Gate Poppies**. No sight at Fordhook calls forth more expressions of wonder than our large block of these Poppies,—with thousands of open flowers of which seemingly there are no two alike, . . . . . 10

**SHIRLEY POPPIES.** The colors range through all shades of delicate rose, pink, carmine, and brilliant crimson. Many of the flowers are edged with white. Per oz. 50 cts., . . . . . 5

**NEW TULIP POPPY.** A mere description gives no adequate idea of the superb color-effect presented by a bed or clump of this grand new Poppy. The glowing scarlet of the flowers is such that one is reminded of the superb *Duc Von Thol* Tulip, . . . . . 10

**BURPEE'S VESUVIUS.** Looking at the grand double flowers, each appears a glowing ball of the most vivid scarlet; upon examination it will be seen, however, that each petal has a distinct stripe of pure white, . . . . . 10

**SNOWDRIFT.** A grand variety. The large, pure white flowers are perfectly round and double, . . . . . 5

**Sommiferum (Opium Poppy).** True, gigantic white single flowers. Per oz. 10 cts.; per lb 90 cts., . . . . . 5

**The Bride.** The extra large white single flowers present a magnificent appearance in beds or groups, 10

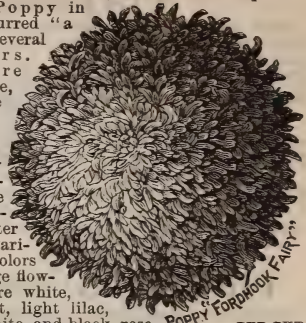
**Fire Dragon (Papaver Lavigatum).** The graceful plants are covered with large single flowers, measuring four inches across, of the most brilliant deep scarlet, with black spots margined white, . . . . . 10

**Ranunculus-Flowered.** Small, double French, . . . . . 5

**Danebrog.** Fine single Poppy, flower scarlet, with a large white spot on the base of the petals, . . . . . 5

**FORDHOOK FAIRY POPPIES.** In our crop of Fairy Blush Poppy in 1889 there occurred "a break" into several distinct colors.

The flowers are perfectly double, of large size and magnificent form. These Seedlings of Fairy Blush retain the long-enduring character of the parent variety, while in colors the grand, large flowers are of pure white, glowing scarlet, light lilac, scarlet with white, and black, rose, and deep maroon, . . . . . 10



**BURPEE'S FAIRY BLUSH.** The immense globular flowers are perfectly double, and measure from ten to thirteen inches in circumference; the petals are elegantly fringed and pure white, except at the tips, where they are distinctly colored with rosy-cream. The foliage grows only twelve to fourteen inches in height, above which the flowers are borne on long stems, . . . . . 10

**THE MIKADO.** Of pure white and brilliant crimson-scarlet; large double flowers of quaint, artistic beauty, with petals deeply cut and fringed, . . . . . 10

**NEW CARDINAL POPPY.** The plants grow about sixteen inches high, and are well furnished with deeply cut dark-green foliage, which shows off the enormous double, glowing, cardinal-scarlet flowers, 10

**GIANT DOUBLE NANKEN YELLOW.** A vigorous grower, the perfect *Pæony-shaped* flowers—truly giant—are the nearest approach to yellow color in Poppies, . . . . . 10

**Improved Double Carnation, mixed.** For dazzling richness and variety of colors, the flowers are unequalled. Simply scatter the seed in the open ground and a mass of beauty will result. Oz. 20 cts., . . . . . 5

**Double Pæony-Flowered, mixed.** Splendid large, double flowers of all colors. Per oz. 20 cts., . . . . . 5

**FORDHOOK FINEST DOUBLE POPPIES.** This new mixture, made by ourselves, contains seed of *Fairy Blush, Cardinal, The Mikado, Vesuvius, Snowdrift, and Nanken Yellow*, each of which can be easily named when in flower, . . . . . 10

**PORTULACA.**

In brilliancy and beauty of color Portulacas are unrivaled. They delight in sunny situations where they rapidly carpet the ground. Thrive everywhere, but are particularly useful for light, sandy soil. A "packet" of *Double Portulaca* contains nearly four hundred seeds, while a "packet" of *Single Portulaca* contains more than fifteen hundred seeds. . . . . 10

**Finest Single, mixed.** In great variety; large flowers of most brilliant colors. Per oz. 40 cts., . . . . . 5

**Double Rose-Flowered White.** Very chaste, . . . . . 10

**Double Rose-Flowered Orange.** Bright, . . . . . 10

**Double Rose-Flowered Red.** Richest, . . . . . 10

**Double Rose-Flowered, mixed.** Unsurpassed for brilliancy and beauty. From first-class seed, more than one-half of the plants will produce magnificent double flowers; these can be transplanted eight inches apart as soon as they bloom, thus making the entire bed of double flowers, . . . . . 10

**\$1.25 WORTH OF SEEDS FOR ONE DOLLAR.**

In comparing our prices please remember that we allow the purchaser to select 25 CENTS' WORTH EXTRA for each ONE DOLLAR when the order is for PACKETS or OUNCES priced at 25 cts. or less per ounce. This makes all packets priced at five cents cost 4 cts. each and 10 ct. packets or ounces cost 8 cts. each, net.

BURPEE'S SEEDS are not only the BEST THAT GROW, but considering quality and size of packets, are guaranteed as low in price as can be obtained anywhere.

**BURPEE'S SEEDS are the lowest-priced GOOD SEEDS.**



PRIMULA FIMBRIATA—SINGLE CHINESE PRIMROSE.

**PRIMULA SINENSIS FIMBRIATA.**  
FRINGED CHINESE PRIMROSE.

The *Chinese Primrose* is the most beautiful and satisfactory of all house plants for winter blooming, and is as easily grown as a *Geranium*. They are raised so easily that every flower-lover should have a magnificent display of these brightest and best of all winter flowers in the house. Our seed is saved from the very finest strains of all colors, from pure white, lilac, rose, through many shades of scarlet and carmine, striped and spotted, and the lovely new blue *Primula*,—all beautifully fringed.

PER PKT.

- PRIMULA *Alba magnifica*. Flowers, borne in large trusses, are pure white with bright-yellow eye, . . . 20
- Blue. New and beautiful, . . . . . 20
- Crimson-velvet. New, very rich color, . . . . . 20
- Rosy Morn. The large, finely fringed flowers are of a distinct and beautiful carmine-rose, . . . 20
- Bright Red (*Coccinea*). A very brilliant color, . . . 20
- Rubro-Violacea. Beautiful and showy, . . . . . 20
- Kermesina splendens. Splendid crimson, . . . . . 20
- Striped. White striped with rose, . . . . . 20
- Snow Queen. New; pure white, . . . . . 20
- Lilac-marbled. Very attractive, . . . . . 20
- FRINGED, MIXED. A very good strain, . . . . . 10
- SPLENDID MIXED Large-Flowering. A grand mixture, embracing all the above and many others. A "packet" contains about 130 seeds, . . . . . 15
- Filicifolia, mixed. A splendid mixture of *Fern-leaved Primulas* with large flowers, . . . . . 20
- Flore Pleno. Best double, mixed, of all colors, . . . 25
- PRIMULA *Obconica*. A lovely and profuse blooming *Primrose*, bearing on long, slender stems, about nine inches in height, beautiful single flowers, white shaded with a slight tinge of lilac. This is really an ever-blooming plant, producing elegant clusters of flowers continuously throughout the year, . . . . . 10

**RICINUS (Castor-Oil Bean).**

Picturesque foliage plants that quickly attain gigantic proportions; ornamental until destroyed by frost.

- Gibsoni coccineus. Stalks and leaves of a bright metallic bronze color; fruit crimson, . . . . . 10
- Cambodgensis (New). Large, palm-like leaves of a brilliant, bronzy-red maroon; stalks nearly black, . . 10
- Sanguineus. Red stalks; scarlet fruit; six feet, . . . 5
- Spectabilis (New). Tall-growing, with immense, light-green leaves; very showy in contrast, . . . . . 5
- Mixed. Many choice varieties. Per oz. 25 cts., . . . . 5



One plant of RICINUS ZANZIBARENSIS.

**RICINUS ZANZIBARENSIS**

Leaves Measure Nearly Four Feet Across.

From seed sown in the open ground in May the plants are in full foliage early in July, and attain a height of twelve to fourteen feet. The enormous leaves, beautifully lobed, measure two and a half to nearly four feet across. Planted as a solitary plant on the lawn, it makes a perfect pyramid of foliage, thickly set from top to bottom with gigantic leaves. A dozen plants in a large bed make a most picturesque sight, to be admired from a long distance. The difference between the varieties is in the coloring of the grand bamboo-like stems and long, slender leaf stalks. Mixed, four varieties, per pkt. 10 cts.; per oz. 20 cts.; ¼ lb 60 cts.; per lb \$2.00, postpaid.

**SALPIGLOSSIS (Velvet Flower).**

The flowers are singularly marked and delicately penciled—in shape resembling the *Petunia*.

PER PKT.

- Mixed. All colors of the popular *Velvet Flower*, . . . 5
- Grandiflora. The flowers are larger in size and most vividly spotted and striped on ground colors of deep blue, rose, violet, light yellow, reddish-bronze, etc., 10

**SCABIOSA.**

**Sweet Scabious, or Mourning Bride.**

The old and well-known *Sweet Scabious* is not as generally cultivated as it deserves. The perfectly double flowers are useful for cutting; they are gracefully borne upon long, slender stems, well above the foliage.

- Tall German, mixed. All colors; two feet, . . . . . 5
- Dwarf Double, mixed. Of compact habit, profusely bearing globe-shaped double flowers of great beauty, . . . . . 5
- Snowball. Elegant double white flowers, very chaste and charming for bouquets, . . . . . 10
- New Double Black. A superb new variety. With elegant double black-purple flowers,—so deep in color as to seem nearly coal-black, 10
- New Large-Flowered Double, mixed. The range of color is remarkable, from white to rich pink, crimson to deep red, lilac to almost black, . . . . . 10





A SINGLE PLANT OF SALVIA SPLENDENS.

**SALVIA (Flowering Sage).**

Of all the Salvias the *Splendens*, described below, is the brightest and best, but the four other varieties described are also well worthy of cultivation.

- Coccinea grandiflora rosea.** Very beautiful flowers of an orange-rose color; height three feet, . . . . . 10
- Farinacea.** The plants form dwarf, compact bushes, clothed with peculiarly rich, bright foliage, from which rise long spikes of beautiful blue flowers, making a charming contrast, . . . . . 10
- Horminum.** Red-topped; curious, . . . . . 5
- Patens.** Handsome bluish-green, leathery foliage, and erect, strong stems, bearing heads of broad, tubular-lipped flowers, each fully two inches long, which for superb rich blue color cannot be surpassed by any plant, . . . . . 15

**SPLENDENS (Large-Flowering Scarlet Sage).** Under our hot summer sun, "this flame-colored beauty" is the most gorgeous of all plants. For months the blaze of flaming scarlet is intensely brilliant, with great spikes of bloom completely concealing the foliage. A single plant will carry as many as two hundred spikes of flowers, each spike ten to twelve inches in length. A "packet" contains more than one hundred seeds. Per 1/4 oz. 40 cts. . . . 10

**SENSITIVE PLANT.**

The Sensitive Plant is very chaste and elegant in foliage, the leaves being delicately pinnated, while it bears attractive small pink flowers in globose heads. It affords much amusement by its sensitive character—even when slightly touched the leaves instantly close and droop; easily grown.

**Mimosa Pudica (Sensitive Plant),** . . . . . 5

**SWEET WILLIAM.**

As now improved they make

matchless border plants, with heads of bloom of great size and wonderful beauty; should be in every garden; height one and a half feet.



SWEET WILLIAM

- PER PKT.**
- Perfection, Single, mixed.** A splendid strain; flowers of many bright colors, large size, and varied markings, including the finest auricula-eyed varieties, of all colors, . . . . . 5
- Dunetti.** Beautiful, rich crimson, . . . . . 5
- Double, mixed.** Fine, double flowers, which, however, to our fancy, are not so beautiful as the single, . . . . . 5



LARGE-FLOWERING GLOBE PYRAMIDAL STOCK.

**STOCK, TEN=WEEEKS.**

All the varieties are desirable as pot plants, as well as in the open garden. They are greatly prized for cut flowers on account of their fragrance and colors. A "packet" contains about one hundred and forty seeds.

**NEW LARGEST-FLOWERING GLOBE PYRAMIDAL STOCK.** A magnificent race, with immense spikes of perfectly double flowers, the individual blooms frequently measuring from two to two and one-half inches in diameter. The large double flowers are produced in great profusion, the spikes being compactly pyramidal in shape, and the plants of neat habit of growth. We offer the following colors: *Crimson—Citron—Yellow—Rose—Dark Blue—Pure White—Light Blue—Black-Brown—Brown-Rose—Coppery-Brown—Apple Blossom—Golden—Chamois—Salmon-Rose—Canary—Yellow—Darkest Crimson—Lilac-Rose—Chamois—Flesh Color.* Each color separate, or the **seventeen colors mixed.** Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts., or 10 pkts. for \$1.00.

**WHITE PERPETUAL (Princess Alice; or, "Cut and Come Again").** Of strong growth and fine branching habit, it grows to the height of one and a half feet, and if sown early will produce uninterruptedly a great abundance of bloom from June until November. The individual flowers are uncommonly large, of a fine, rosette-like shape, and the purest possible white. The flowers appear on each little shoot, and the oftener they are cut the better they seem to like it. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

**DWARF WHITE PYRAMID.** Far superior to the *Snowflake Stock.* Of very dwarf growth, the little plants are each crowned with magnificent heads of beautifully shaped, perfectly double flowers, of fine form and paper-white color. The strain is so high bred that a remarkable percentage comes double. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.

**NEW RED VICTORIA.** Each plant forms in itself a naturally-grown bouquet, of a beautiful pyramidal shape, the branches being symmetrically arranged around the main stem, which is slightly raised in the center; brilliant double, dark blood-red. Pkt. 15 cts.

**GIANT PERFECTION.** A splendid race, growing two and a half feet high, with large spikes of perfectly double flowers of great substance and beauty. Mixed. Per Pkt. 10 cts.; 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**Dwarf German Ten-Weeks.** Fine mixed. Pkt. 5 cts. **Large-Flowering Dwarf—Choice mixed.** 10 cts. **Large-Flowering Dwarf—Blood Red, Pure White, and Purple-Violet.** Each color, per pkt. 10 cts.

# SUNFLOWERS.

**MANY-FLOWERED DOUBLE.** This new Sunflower (*Helianthus fl. pl. multiflora*) from France is unlike all others; few would believe that a SUNFLOWER could be so beautiful! The handsome flowers are produced at the base of each leaf, which gives the plant a most picturesque and highly ornamental aspect. It grows erect from three and a half to four feet in height, with only a single stalk, but at each leaf-joint is a very short stem, terminating in a fine double flower. These flowers are very double, full centered, and are surrounded by a fringe of broad, single petals, the flowers proper which form the head being tubular. The terminal or central flower is the largest, being from six to eight inches in diameter. From this they taper in size very gradually toward the base of the plant, where they are only three to four inches in diameter.

Bearing so many good-sized flower-heads to each plant, they will yield a large supply of seed, which is most excellent for feeding to poultry during the winter, both to make them lay freely and to keep them in fine, healthy condition. Thus it will prove useful as well as ornamental,—and most ornamental it certainly is!

Per pkt. 5 cts.; per oz. 15 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 35 cts.; per lb \$1.25, postpaid.

**THE DAHLIA SUNFLOWER.** Produces numerous bright golden-yellow flowers, which are generally perfectly double. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**GLOBOSUS FISTULOSUS.** Immense, double. Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**THE MINIATURE SUNFLOWER** (*Helianthus cucumerifolius*). Covered with hundreds of brightest orange, small, single flowers; of pyramidal growth, with bright, neat foliage. Pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 20 cts.

**PRIMROSE.** Of stately appearance, the flowers present a striking contrast, —light primrose with very dark center. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**SILVER-LEAVED.** Grow five feet high, with large leaves of a shining silver color; large single flowers. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 15 cts.

**MAMMOTH RUSSIAN.** The giant among sunflowers; immense single heads, full of seeds. Per pkt. 5 cts.; oz. 10 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb 20 cts.; per lb 50 cts.



MANY-FLOWERED DOUBLE SUNFLOWER.

**TORENIA.** Charming plants for pot culture, vases, or hanging baskets. They succeed well also in the open ground in summer, and are very attractive in beds or masses.

**Fournieri.** Lovely, velvety-blue flowers, with three large spots of the darkest blue and a bright yellow throat; covered with bloom until frost. Per pkt. 5 cts.

**NEW LARGE-FLOWERING.** The flowers are from two to three times larger than the old *Torenia Fournieri*. A "packet" contains about six hundred seeds. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**NEW COMPACT BLUE TORENIA.** Each plant forms a compact, upright little bush, completely covered with a mass of bloom all summer. The exquisite flowers are winged-cup shaped, and the color clear lavender-blue, spotted intense rich purple, with yellow throat. Per pkt. 10 cts.

**WHITE WINGS.** The compact, well-balanced plants are covered with dainty and distinct flowers of ivory white, delicately tinted rose at throat. Per pkt. 10 cts.



TORENIA FOURNIERI.

## New Mammoth Verbena,— FORDHOOK FAMOUS.

In this grand new strain has been developed a MAMMOTH VERBENA that produces uniformly magnificent large trusses, with flowers of unusual size and of a wide range of colors. The individual blossoms are frequently larger than a silver quarter,—in fact, many are scarcely covered by a silver half-dollar. Take a silver quarter and try to cover any of the single flowers of the corymb illustrated herewith, and you will realize how magnificent in size are the single florets, as the illustration has been accurately reproduced from a photograph, natural size. The colors are varied and embrace all desirable markings. It is so grand that we want all our friends to have it and hence offer the seed at a very moderate price. A "packet" contains nearly two hundred seeds. Per pkt. 15 cts.; 2 pkts. for 25 cts.;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz. \$1.00; per oz. \$3.00.



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NEW FORDHOOK FAMOUS MAMMOTH VERBENA.

Engraved from a Photograph, natural size.



**VERBENA.**

Verbenas in quantity are more easily obtained from seed than from cuttings, and the plants are more healthy and vigorous in growth, while they are also fragrant, particularly the white and light-colored varieties. Sown in spring, they flower quite early in the season, and each plant, in good, rich soil, will cover a space three to four feet in diameter, producing, if the flowers are cut as soon as they begin to fade, a mass of bloom until killed by frost. A "packet" contains from one hundred and fifty to two hundred seeds.

**VERBENA HYBRIDA, EXTRA FINE MIXED, from a superb collection of named varieties.**

Very large in flower and corymbs, and of the richest and most brilliant colors, this is one of the finest strains of *Verbena hybrida* in cultivation to-day. The seed has been saved not only from a large collection of many bright and pleasing self-colors, but also from the finest varieties of the auricula-eyed type. 1/4 oz. 50 cts.; per oz. \$1.75.

**Hybrida, fine mixed.** A very good strain. 1/4 oz. 40 cts.; per oz. \$1.25.

**Hybrida, mixed.** Fresh imported seed. Oz. 75 cts., **Auricula-Flowered.** Splendid flowers of large size and bright colors, each with large, white eye.

**Scarlet Defiance.** True, brightest scarlet, intensely rich. 1/4 oz. 50 cts.; per oz. \$1.75.

**Pure White (Sea Foam, or Candidissima).** A fine strain of large-flowering, pure white hybrid *Verbena*. 1/4 oz. 50 cts.; per oz. \$1.50.

**Blue with White Eye.** Large blue flowers, each with large, white eye; very showy.

**Lutea (Primrose).** Straw-yellow.

**Italian Striped.** Very showy striped flowers of many bright colors. 1/4 oz. 50 cts.

**NEW MAMMOTH VERBENA,—FORD HOOK FAMOUS.** See preceding page.

**ZINNIAS.**

No flowers are more easily grown from seed sown in the open ground, and few bloom so continuously throughout the entire summer. Those acquainted only with the old-time Zinnias will be surprised at the perfection to which the newer strains have attained. A "packet" contains about ninety seeds.

**Giant Mammoth.** PER PKT.

Of unusually robust habit of growth and immense size, the perfectly formed, very double flowers are of various striking colors. Plants three to three and a quarter feet high are clothed with luxuriant foliage and bloom during a long period.

**Pompon.** The florets are piled in a symmetrical, smooth cone. The colors range from pure white, through creams and buffs, to a clear chrome-yellow. Then, again, there is a series of



POMPON ZINNIAS.

tints ranging from the softest pinks to the deepest crimson.

**Dwarf Snowball.** Very handsome dwarf, bushy plants. The large, Dahlia-like flowers are always perfectly double and of the purest snow-white.

**Dwarf Fireball (Zinnia pumila coccinea plena).** Exactly like the Snowball, except that the very double flowers are of a dazzling fiery-scarlet.

**Striped Zebra.** Double flowers, distinctly striped, but only a small percentage come true.

**Choice Double, mixed.** All colors.

**Superb Double, mixed.** Perfectly double flowers, of grand form, large size, brilliant colors.

**DOUBLE LILLIPUT.** Dwarf, compact bushes, bearing very small, perfectly double, pompon-shaped flowers of the brightest colors, which cover the plants during the entire summer and until frost sets in. The flowers are charming for bouquets, and embrace a wide range of both light and dark colors evenly distributed.

**WALLFLOWER.** PER PKT.

**Fine German Double, mixed.** Spikes of deliciously fragrant double flowers, combining many shades of color, chocolate and orange-purple predominating. Sown early in hot-bed and prick out the small plants into pots; sink the pots in the earth and in the autumn remove to the house, where they will bloom all winter.

**Single, mixed.**

**EXTRA EARLY PARISIAN.** The unusual earliness of this variety is remarkable; from seeds sown in the spring at FORDHOOK plants were in full bloom by August 4th, continuing until checked by frost. Magnificent golden-yellow single flowers on long spikes; deliciously fragrant, and continuing for a long time in bloom.

**WILD-FLOWER GARDEN MIXTURE.**

These mixed flower-seeds embrace more than a hundred varieties of such easy-growing and pretty flowers as are suitable for forming a wild-flower garden. They are very useful for woodland walks, roadsides, railroad embankments, and for sowing alongside of fences and on untidy, bare spots of ground which are so frequently unsightly, and which, if properly cared for and kept free from weeds, can be made to produce a continual display of bloom during the summer. Per large pkt. 10 cts.; oz. 25 cts.; 1/4 lb 75 cts.; per lb \$2.50.

**EVERLASTING FLOWERS.**

The Everlasting Flowers, with their rich, brilliant colors, are very valuable for winter decoration. They should be cut as soon as they come into full bloom, tied in small bunches, and dried slowly in the shade, with the heads downward, to keep the stems straight.

**ACROCLINIUM.** Mixed, rose and white.

**AMMOBIUM.** Small white flowers; pretty.

**GOMPHRENA (Globe Amaranth, or Bachelor's Button), mixed.** Small, globe-shaped, double flowers, of perfect form and bright colors.

**HELIPTERUM Sanfordi.** Small yellow flowers.

**HELICHRYSUM.** Fine, large, double flowers, of brilliant colors. Often called "The Eternal Flower."

— **Fireball.** Flowers of the richest crimson.

— **Snowball.** Large, double, pure white.

— **Golden Ball.** Rich golden-yellow.

— **Monstrosum.** Brightest colors, mixed.

— **Dwarf, mixed.**

**RHODANTHE, mixed.**

**WAITZIA Grandiflora.** Golden-yellow.

**XERANTHEMUM, mixed.** Double flowers.

**MIXED EVERLASTINGS.** A single packet will give in abundance a great variety of the most attractive Everlasting Flowers. No more welcome present can be given a visitor than a bouquet of these imperishable flowers. Per large packet 10 cts., or 3 pkts. for 25 cts.

**ORNAMENTAL GRASSES.**

If our customers could see the wonderful variety and graceful forms of *The Ornamental Grasses*, they would be induced to use them much more largely, particularly when it is considered how indispensable they are in the arrangement of graceful bouquets.

**Agrostis nebulosa.** Fine and feathery; elegant.

**Avena sterilis (Animated Oat).** 2 1/2 feet.

**Briza gracilis.** Small, graceful racemes.

**Briza maxima (Quaking Grass).** Large racemes of beautiful rattles; very ornamental.

**Bromus Brizæformis.** Drooping panicles, beautiful, feathery spikes.

**Coix lachryma (Job's Tears).**

**Erianthus Ravennæ.** As fine as Pampas Grass.

**Eulalia Japonica zebrina (Zebra Grass).** Five to six feet high, with striped leaves.

**Gynerium argenteum (Pampas Grass).** Flowers the second season.

**Hordeum jubatum (Squirrel-Tail Grass).** Fine.

**Lagurus ovatus (Hare's-Tail Grass).**

**Pennisetum longistylum.** Soft, fuzzy flower-heads.

**Trycholæna rosea.** Most beautiful rose-tinted grass.

**MIXED ANNUAL VARIETIES of Ornamental Grasses.** Contains seed of all the annual varieties named above. Per large packet 10 cts.; per oz. 25 cts.



# Other Standard Flower Seeds.

In the alphabetical list on this page we name with prices other standard flower seeds, which, from lack of space, were omitted from the preceding descriptive list. It is needless to say that the seed of each is the best it is possible to procure,—the BEST SEEDS that grow!

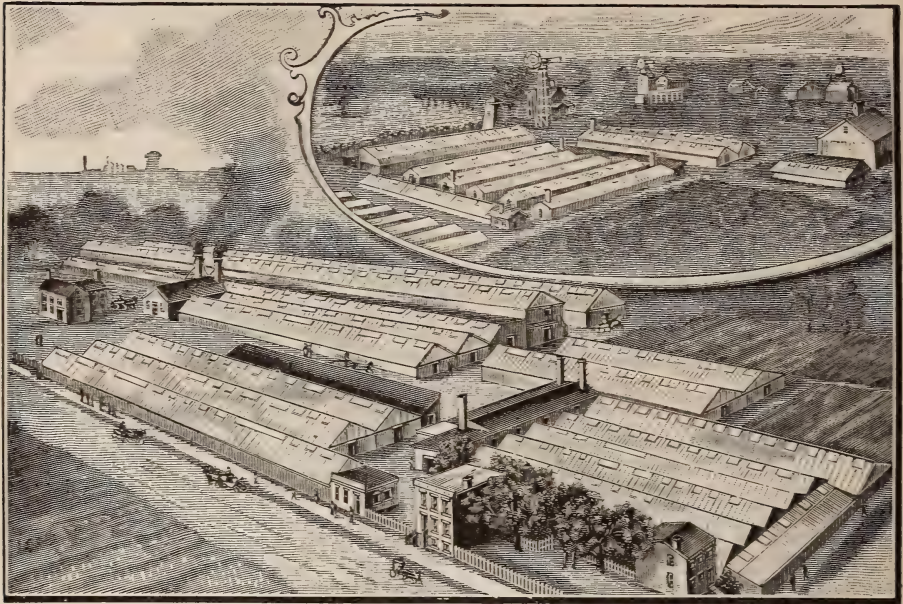
	PER PKT.		PER PKT.
ABRONIA Umbellata. Very pretty trailing plants,	5	HUNNEMANNIA Fumarifolia. Yellow,	10
ADONIS Aestivalis. Bright scarlet flowers,	5	IONOPSISIDUM Acule (Diamond Flower),	10
AGAPANTHUS Umbellata (Lily of the Palace),	10	IRIS Kämpferi (Japan Iris). Mixed colors,	10
AGROSTEMMA Cœli rosa (Rose of Heaven),	5	LEUCANTHEMUM Grandiflorum. Daisy-like,	5
ALONSOA Grandiflora. Bright scarlet,	5	LILY OF THE VALLEY (Convallaria),	10
Limifolia. Orange scarlet; height 1½ feet,	5	LINARIA Cymbalaria (Kentworth Ivy),	10
ALYSSUM (Gold Dust). Saxatile, yellow,	5	LINUM Grandiflorum rubrum (Crimson Flax),	5
AMARANTHUS Caudatus (Love-lies-bleeding),	5	LOPHOSPERMUM Scandens. A beautiful climber,	10
Splendens (Rainbow Plant). Brilliant,	10	Mixed. All annual varieties,	5
Salsicifolius (Fountain Plant). Willow-like foliage,	5	LYCHNIS (Burning Star). Grand, hardy perennials.	
Tricolor (Joseph's Coat). Yellow, red, and green,	5	Chalcedonica. Intensely bright scarlet,	5
AMBROSIA. Feathery sprays of fragrant foliage,	5	Haageana hybrida. White, rose, vermilion, etc.,	5
ANCHUSA Capensis. Small, deep-blue flowers,	5	MALOPE Grandiflora. Crimson, rose, and white,	5
AQUILEGIA (Columbine). Choice Double, mixed,	5	MATHIOLA Bicornis (Sweet-scented Stock),	5
Skinneri. Vivid scarlet, tipped with yellow,	10	MAURANDYA Barclayana. Violet-blue; ten feet,	10
ARABIS Alpina. One of the earliest of all spring	10	Finest mixed. Blue, white, and mauve,	5
flowers; spreading tufts with pure white flowers,	10	MEDICAGO, Mixed. Plants grown for their curi-	
ARISTOLOCHIA Siphia (Dutchman's Pipe),	10	ously shaped seed pods—of most peculiar shapes,	5
ARTEMISIA. Variety from St. Petersburg,	5	MIMULUS. The beautiful Monkey-Flower.	
ASPERULA Azurea setosa. Clusters of blue,	5	Tigrinus. Fine, spotted varieties,	5
Odorata (Woodruff),	10	Tigrinus grandiflorus. Large-flowered,	10
BALLOON VINE (Cardiospermum Halicacabum),	5	Moschatus. The well-known Musk Plant,	10
BARTONIA Aurea. Yellow and intensely brilliant,	5	MINA Lobata. A very rapid-growing climber,	15
BEGONIA Schmidtii. Fine for bedding,	10	MOLUCCA BALM. The curious Shell Flower,	10
BEET, Ornamental. Scarlet-Ribbed Chilian,	5	MOMORDICA Balsamina (Balsam Apple),	5
Yellow-Ribbed Chilian. Per oz. 15 cts.,	5	Charantia (Balsam Pear). Very beautiful,	5
Dracæna Leaf. Dark red, lustrous leaves,	5	MUSA Ensete (The Abyssinia Banana Tree),	25
BIDENS Atrosanguinea (Dahlia Zimapani),	10	NEMOPHILA (Love Grove), mixed. Bright colors,	5
BRYCHYCOME Iberidifolia (Swan River Daisy),	5	NIGELLA Damascena, Double, mixed,	5
BROWALLIA. Bright blue and pure white mixed,	5	Dwarf Double. Of compact, neat habit of growth,	5
BRONIA Laciniosa. Beautiful annual climber,	10	NOLANA, Mixed. Very pretty trailing plants,	5
CACALIA (Tassel-Flower, or Flora's Paint Brush),	5	GENOTHERA (Evening Primrose). Acaulis alba,	5
CAMPANULA (Canterbury Bells). Single, mixed,	5	Drummondii. Very large, bright-yellow flowers,	5
Double Varieties, mixed,	5	Rosea. A beautiful Evening Primrose from Mexico,	5
CENTAUREA Candidissima. White leaved,	15	PÆONY. Double flowers of rose, crimson, and white,	15
CHRYSANTHEMUM Indicum. Finest double,	15	PAPAVER (Perennial Poppies), choicest mixed,	5
CHRYSANTHEMUM Frutescens (Paris Daisy),	15	Orientale. The darkest red; magnificent,	10
CINERARIA Maritima (Dusty Miller),	5	PASSIFLORA Cœrulea (Passion Flower),	10
KARLEIA, Mixed. Double and single varieties,	5	PENSTEMON, Mixed. All varieties,	5
COLEUS, Fine mixed. Leaves of all colors,	10	PETUNIA, Red Star. Very pretty dwarf,	5
COMMELINA Cœlestis (Blue Day Flower),	5	PERILLA, Nankinensis. Pretty bronze foliage,	5
CREPIS Rubra (Hawkweed). Rosy, double flowers,	5	PHLOX, Perennial, choicest mixed,	10
CRUEL PLANT (Physianthus albens),	10	PLATYCODON Grandiflorum pumilum,	10
CUPHEA Miniata. A pretty annual; curiously		PRIMULA Auricula. Fine mixed,	15
shaped vermilion-scarlet flowers,	10	Eliator polyanthus. Choice mixed,	10
CUPHEA Platycentra (Cigar or Fire-Cracker Plant),	15	Vulgaris. The common wild English Primrose,	10
CYCLANTHERA Explodens. An annual climber,	5	PYRETHRUM Parthenium, flore pleno,	10
Pedata. Dense foliage; large leaves,	5	Partheniolum aureum (Golden Feather),	10
DELPHINIUM (Perennial Larkspur).		Roseum (Insect Powder Plant). Oz. 50 cts.,	10
Formosum (true). Brilliant blue, with eye,	5	ROCKET, Sweet, mixed. White and purple,	5
Choice mixed. Best varieties,	5	SANVITALIA Procumbens, fl. pl.,	5
DIANTHUS Plumarius (Clove Pink),	10	SCHIZANTHUS (Butterfly Flower), Mixed, all colors,	5
Scoticus, fl. pl. (Paisley, or Florists' Pink),	10	SEDUM Cœruleum (Stone-crop). Blue,	5
DIDISCUS (Hugelia) Cœruleus,	5	SOLANUM Capsicastrum (Jerusalem Cherry),	10
DIGITALIS (Foxglove), Fine mixed. Long racemes		SMILAX (Myrsiphyllum Asparagoides). Oz. 50c.,	10
of beautifully spotted flowers,	5	STEVIA Serrata. Dainty, fragrant white flowers,	10
ECHINUM Plantagineum. Dark-blue flowers,	5	STOCKS. Emperor, or Perpetual. Fine mixed,	10
EUPHORBIA Heterophylla (Mexican Fire Plant),	10	Brompton, or Winter. Fine mixed,	10
Marginata (Snow-on-the-Mountain),	5	SWEET SULTAN (Centauria Suaveolens). Yellow,	5
FERN, Mixed. Spores of many varieties,	25	TAGETES Lucida. Fern-like, fragrant foliage,	5
GAURA Lindheimeri. Spikes of rosy-white,	5	Patula nana ("Cloth of Gold"). Attractive,	10
GILIA, Mixed. All varieties; good for cutting,	5	THUNBERGIA ("Black-eyed Susan"). Mixed,	5
GLAUCIUM Corniculatum. Leaves silvery white,	5	TRIFOLIUM Suaveolens (Sweet-scented Clover),	5
GLADIOLUS. French Hybrids, mixed,	10	TRITOMA Uvaria grandiflora (Red-Hot Poker),	10
Extra fine, mixed. From the choicest flowers,	15	VERBENA Venosa. Small trusses of light violet,	5
GODETIA. Lady Satin Rose. Rose-pink,	5	Odorata (Teucroides). Fragrant white flowers,	5
Bijou. Snowy-white, with carmine-rose spots,	5	VINCA. The popular Madagascar Periwinkle, Mixed,	5
Fine mixed. Many varieties. Per oz. 25 cts.,	5	VIOLA Odorata (Violet). Lovely violet-blue,	10
GYPSOPHILA Elegans. White and rose,	5	The Czar. The largest-flowering, richest blue,	10
Paniculata (Baby's Breath). Miniature white,	5	The White Czar. Flowers snowy white,	10
HEUCHERA Sanguinea. Lovely perennial,	15	VIOLAS. The beautiful Tufted Pansies.	
HONESTY (Lunaria). Curious, silvery seed pouches,	10	Finest mixed, all colors. ½ oz. 50 cts.,	10
HOUSTONIA Cœrulea ("Bluets, or Quaker Lady"),	10		

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Geraniums and other soft-wooded plants, of large size for bedding, of the common or old varieties, should be purchased from a greenhouse in the neighborhood. We send the best ROSES and other Plants by MAIL, including many choice NEW AND RARE VARIETIES which the local florist could not afford to grow, even had he equal facilities for testing all NOVELTIES and offering only the BEST.

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## New French Violet, PRINCESS OF WALES.

The illustration above shows the habit of growth, while at the side is shown a single flower of average size. The beautiful bunch on front cover page was painted by the famous French artist, PAUL DE LONGPRE, from flowers which we sent last spring. When the PRINCESS OF WALES was first announced in France, upon reading the description of the introducers, whom we had known personally for many years, we ordered a number of plants in order to propagate largely, so that we could offer it at a moderate price. Our faith was not misplaced. Growing it on a large scale, in comparison with all other Violets, we agree with the raisers that it is "certainly the best Violet in existence."

PRINCESS OF WALES is far ahead of *California* and all other Violets known. Of hardy, vigorous growth, the plants are wonderfully *free-flowering*, with stems from ten to twelve inches long; large green leaves of a thick, leathery texture. The grand single flowers, of a true *violet-blue color that does not fade*, are of *round, symmetrical form*, almost as large as pansies, and of the *richest, most delicious fragrance*. So large and circular are the flowers that some blooms will cover a silver dollar.

Price 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts., or 9 for \$1.00, postpaid.



### Three Fragrant VIOLETS.

**New Violet, —THE CALIFORNIA.** This splendid single Violet has a flower much larger than any other in cultivation, *excepting only the new Princess of Wales.* Violet-purple in color; delightful fragrance. 10 cts.

**LADY HUME CAMPBELL.** A vigorous variety, blooming with extraordinary freedom. Large double flowers, of azure-blue; richly perfumed. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

**SWANLEY WHITE.** Perfectly double, pure white flowers of fine size and rich fragrance. *By far the best of all white Violets* in freedom of bloom. 10 cts. each.

### Special LOW PRICES.

We sell good, strong plants of each of the **three Violets** described in preceding column at 10 cts. each, any three for 25 cts., or ten for \$1.00, postpaid, by mail.

**FOR 25 CTS.** we will send one plant of the new **Princess of Wales**, described above, **AND any other two.**

**FOR 30 CTS.** we will send all **FOUR Violets**, including new **Princess of Wales**, which should be grown by every lover of the fragrant Violet, —see description above.

### NEW ROSES FOR 1897.

descriptions, for the benefit of those who desire the most

**CATHERINE GUILLOT.** Large flowers, varying from capucine-carmine to Indian yellow; very fragrant.

**ANTOINE RIVOIRE.** Camellia-formed flowers of clear salmon-rose, with dark yellow at back, edged carmine; superb.

**AUGUSTE METRAL.** Buds crimson-red. Large, full flowers, varying from purple to crimson-red; fragrant and very beautiful.

The following new **Ever-blooming Roses** are the latest introductions from France. Although not thoroughly tested as yet, we list them, under the raisers' promising **SIX NEW ROSES FOR 1897.**

**BEAUTÉ LYONNAISE.** Erect branches; beautiful foliage. Flowers very large; white, with back lightly tinted with clear yellow.

**AUGUST COMTE.** Color rose-red, outside petals carmine-red, with broad border of a deeper color and the center salmon-colored rose-ochre.

**MARJORIE.** Of large size and exquisite form; white, suffused with salmon-pink.

PRICES.—35 cts. each; two for 60 cts., or ANY four for \$1.00, purchaser's choice of above list.

## MOSELLA, or New YELLOW Soupert Rose.

The New Yellow Soupert Rose, MOSELLA, just introduced from Germany, is *fully as hardy* and equally as constant in bloom as the well-known CLOTILDE SOUPERT, so deservedly popular.



The full flowers are of the same size, but the color is white, shading in the center to apricot-yellow. It is even more prolific than the original *Soupert* in its *wondrous freedom of bloom*, while the buds are more beautiful. MOSELLA was raised by MESSRS. LAMBERT & REITER, whose last introduction, previously, was the world-famous *Augusta Victoria*. The originators describe MOSELLA, in connection with their beautiful colored plate, as follows:—

“The fields of MOSELLA have flowered this year, notwithstanding an exceptionally dry summer and tropical heat, from May until frost without interruption. All who have seen this Rose at exhibitions acknowledge its great blooming qualities, as well as its beautiful buds. The plant is vigorous and of dwarf, bushy growth, blooming sometimes singly, but often in clusters of from three to five. The flowers are very double, highly built, and of the same camellia-flowering habit as *Clotilde Soupert*. We have thoroughly tested this New Rose both in our fields and greenhouses, and it has been so satisfactory that we predict for it an even greater popularity than *Clotilde Soupert*.”

MOSELLA is such a grand new Rose that we want every plant buyer to have at least one plant this season. Hence we purchased a large stock in Germany, and have propagated fully *forty thousand plants*, which we offer at **15 cts. each**; **4 for 50 cts.**, or **9 for \$1.00**, postpaid.

MOSELLA is Everybody's Rose,—the Rose for the MILLION.

## EIGHT Ever-blooming ROSES for 50 Cts.

An UNEQUALED COLLECTION of the very BEST ROSES.

We send **one good, strong plant of each for 50 cts.**, by mail, postpaid. Even at our *Reduced Prices for 1897*, these **Eight Elegant Roses**, purchased separately, would cost **\$1.50**.

**MOSELLA.** *The beautiful, free-flowering, hardy new Yellow Soupert, described above.* Ordinarily a New Rose of such *real merit* would sell for 35 cts. a plant.

**PINK SOUPERT.** “The flowers take their form from *Clotilde Soupert*, and in color are a deep *Hermosa* pink. It is a continuous bloomer; each branch terminates with a cluster of flowers.” Blooms splendidly in the open ground. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00.

**MADAME ABEL CHATENAY.** A constant bloomer, of vigorous growth. Bud very fine, opening spirally; flowers full, of medium size; color carmine-rose, shaded with salmon. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00.

**METEOR.** The most brilliant of Hybrid Teas, producing its vivid crimson flowers all summer. 15 cts. each.

**AUGUSTA VICTORIA.** It has long, magnificent buds, and its large, perfectly double, pure white flowers are unequalled in form. 20 cts. each.

**BRIDESMAID.** This is the most valuable of all the Tea Roses for cutting, keeping quite fresh for days. The buds are a bright, deep pink. 15 cts. each.

**MAMAN COCHET.** This most beautiful of all pink Tea Roses is also the very best for garden culture. Deep, fragrant, double half-globes of rich, silvery rose-pink shaded with mauve and yellow. 15 cts. each.

**BELLE SIEBRECHT.** The flowers and buds are of fine size and form, very double, sweet, and lasting; color a rare, rich shade of true, solid pink. Good, strong plants. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00, postpaid.

**FOR 50 CENTS** we will send, postpaid, all the above eight elegant Roses.

Each year we grow some of the best Roses for a similar offer, but never before have we given such **A GRAND COLLECTION FOR FIFTY CENTS**.

**FOR ONE DOLLAR** we will send **all the above** and **ALSO SOUVENIR DE PRESIDENT CARNOT**, the best new Hybrid Tea Rose ever introduced; **CLIMBING WOOTTON**, the new hardy ever-blooming crimson climber; **HELEN KELLEE**, the best new ever-blooming Hybrid Perpetual Rose, and the most beautiful **NEW VIOLET, PRINCESS OF WALES**, described on page 127. This collection is called

**The PENROSE Novelty Collection of Twelve Plants for \$1.00.**

MR. SCOTT is rightly most enthusiastic concerning this offer, and says: “This Collection has more intrinsic value than any other collection of plants that was ever sent out from Penrose Nurseries.”

**CRIMSON RAMBLER.**

Another year's trial adds to our valuation of this splendid climbing Rose, which is perfectly hardy. The size and beauty of the flower-heads are truly wonderful. We counted on one shoot four hundred and thirty buds and flowers! The rapidity with which the plants grow is also a source of constant wonder. Shoots from eight to ten feet high spring up in one season, while the foliage is so thick and luxuriant that a bower of shade is formed quickly. The distinct, handsome foliage remains bright long after other Roses have dropped their leaves. The great trusses of small, glowing crimson flowers appear in June, and remain brilliant in color for several weeks. Good, strong plants, 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts., or 10 for \$1.00.



**GOLDEN RAMBLER** (Allister Stella Gray). In habit of growth and profusion of bloom this is similar to the famous **Crimson Rambler**. It is a vigorous grower and blooms profusely both early and late. The deep yellow flowers, of small size, are borne in handsome clusters. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00.

**CLIMBING LA FRANCE.** This is identical with its famous parent, *La France*, in silvery peach-pink color, delicious fragrance, and in all points save its propensity for climbing. The plant is entirely hardy, and so vigorous that it frequently makes a growth of from ten to fifteen feet in a season. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 10 for \$1.00, postpaid, by mail.

**CLIMBING METEOR.** The introducer describes this new Rose as follows: "Though a sport from that finest of all Hybrid Teas, *Meteor*, it is much larger and of a deeper, richer color. It will make ten to fifteen feet of growth in a season and show a profusion of bloom every day. Buds exquisite; flowers large, beautifully shaped, and of that rich, dark, velvety crimson color seen only in the *Jacqueminot*." 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts., postpaid.

**PAUL'S CARMINE PILLAR.** Splendid new single Rose, with flowers four to five inches across, of the brightest rosy-carmine, and produced so abundantly that the last year's shoots, some ten to twelve feet in length of growth, were covered from base to top with bunches of flowers from each eye. Very vigorous. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00, postpaid, by mail.

**NEW CLIMBING WOOTTON.** See illustration below. This grand new Climbing Rose is the best of its class yet produced. In color the handsome, deep, rich crimson flowers are identical with *Wootton*, but larger in size. It is harder than *Climbing Meteor*, and a more prolific bloomer. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts., postpaid, by mail.

One plant each of the above Six Climbing Roses mailed for only Seventy-five Cents.

**FOUR Ever-Blooming CLIMBING ROSES for 50 CTS.**

Ever-blooming Roses are the most popular of all climbers, because of their high type of beauty, fragrance, and continual bloom. For this collection we have selected only the strongest and hardiest, that, with protection, will endure even our northern winters.

**CLIMBING HERMOSA.** Bright, clear pink flowers of medium size; very double and fragrant; blooms profusely. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.00, postpaid, by mail.

**JAMES SPRUNT.** Medium-sized, full, sweet flowers of rich cherry-red; brilliant and effective. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.00, postpaid, by mail.

**MADAME ALFRED CARRIERE.** Beautiful creamy-white flowers, with soft yellow shadings; of splendid size and fullness. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts., postpaid.

**REINE MARIE HENRIETTE (Red Gloire de Dijon).** The brightest of all climbers. The large, double flowers are deep, glowing red, and borne in graceful clusters. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 9 for \$1.00, postpaid.

All Four, as above, good, strong plants, for 50 cts.

**Four Hardy Climbing Roses.**

Climbing Roses can be enjoyed even by dwellers in severe climates. The following varieties endure the most trying zero weather, and make a grand mass of flowers in spring.

**BALTIMORE BELLE.** Pale blush, shading to rose color; very double flowers in large clusters. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

**GREVILLE (Seven Sisters).** Luxuriant in growth; flower-clusters immense, varying from white to rose-pink. 15 cts.

**PRAIRIE QUEEN.** Bright carmine-pink; full, globular flowers of fine size. A fine Rose for all sections. 15 cts.

**TENNESSEE BELLE.** Beautiful flowers of bright blush, borne in profusion. 15 cts. each.

The Four Hardy Climbing Roses, described above, will be mailed for 50 cts.

This entire PAGE of FIFTEEN Climbing Roses, one good, strong plant of each, mailed, neatly boxed, all for \$1.60.



CLIMBING "WOOTTON"

**MARY WASHINGTON.** By its rapid, vigorous growth it soon forms fine Rose bowers, thickly starred with clusters of snowy flowers, of medium size, very sweet. 15 cts. each.



### New Rose,—HELEN KELLER.

This grand new Hybrid Perpetual has won nine first-class certificates and first honors at all leading shows. It is an ideal hardy garden Rose, showing its prominent traits of exceptional vigor and profuse, perpetual bloom even in small plants. The large, fragrant flowers and buds are clear, brilliant rose-pink and of fine shape and substance. We control the largest stock of Helen Keller in this country, our own stock being equaled in size and quality only by that of the introducers, Messrs. Alexander Dickson & Sons, of Ireland, who sold *Helen Keller* last year at 10s. 6d. per plant. Our price now is 35 cts. each; 4 for \$1.00, postpaid.

### Variegated ROGER LAMBELIN

Freaks in Roses are not uncommon, but few have become permanently fixed that are of such striking character as the new *Roger Lambelin*. Under the introducer's description we recommend it to all who wish novelties that are distinctly novel: "The color is glowing crimson throughout, except the edges of the petals, which are irregular, like those of a double petunia. These are distinctly marked with a white margin against the crimson, forming a sharp and unique contrast. The fragrance is delightful. The growth is vigorous." 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00, postpaid.

THIS ENTIRE PAGE OF ROSES,—eleven strong plants in all,—mailed, postpaid, for \$1.30.

## Nine Famous Free-Flowering Hardy Roses for \$1.00.

We offer below **Nine Free-flowering HARDY ROSES** for \$1.00. Each is famous for distinct beauty, and all have been thoroughly tested. They are suitable for growing as specimen bushes or for making into beds.

In the great middle belt of the country they require little, if any, protection, while in the more northern States, with slight protection, they will stand the winters and grow stronger every year.



**AUGUSTINE HALLEM.** Hardy and extra free blooming. Flowers very large and fragrant; clear, bright red, shaded deep crimson. 15 cts.

**DINSMORE.** Of vigorous, dwarf, branching growth, it is fairly ablaze with bloom all summer. The large, double flowers are dazzling crimson-scarlet, with rich, spicy fragrance. 20 cts. each.

**ETOILE DE LYON.** The flowers are light golden-yellow, delightfully sweet and of large size. The best yellow for open-air culture. 15 cts. each.

**MADAME ABEL CHATENAY.** A free-flowering, perpetual-blooming Hybrid Tea, with beautiful buds and semi-double flowers; color rich bronzy-rose, shaded salmon. Of strong growth and a good bedder. 25 cts.

**MADAME CAROLINE TESTOUT.** The most beautiful Hybrid Tea up to date, being considered even finer than *La France*, which it excels in vigor, hardiness, the size, and deeper color of its exquisite satiny pink flowers. 15 cts. each.

**MADAME SCHWALLER.** Noted for its strong, free-blooming habit and the true June-Rose fragrance of its flowers. Borne in clusters; color bright rosy-flesh, beautifully shaded. 15 cts.

**MALMAISON.** One of the choicest and best Roses in cultivation for the garden. The flowers are very large, of full, broad, regal form and exquisite fragrance; color rich creamy-flesh, shaded fawn and rose. 15 cts.

**METEOR.** This is a most brilliantly beautiful Rose, unsurpassed among Hybrid Teas for hardiness and freedom of bloom. The long-stemmed flowers are of medium size, double, and fragrant; color intense, glowing velvety-crimson. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts., postpaid.

**WHITE LA FRANCE.** A peerless seedling of *La France*, noted for rich fragrance and fine habit. Both buds and flowers are large, double, and of perfect form; color pearl-white, while the center is exquisitely shaded with flesh-pink. *The standard of beauty.* 20 cts. each.

**FOR \$1.00** we will send, postpaid, safe arrival and satisfaction guaranteed, one strong plant each of the **Famous Free-Flowering Hardy Roses** described above,—**nine in all, for only \$1.00.**

## RED, WHITE, PINK, and STRIPED LA FRANCE.

The LA FRANCE Roses form a choice group of Hybrid Teas, widely known and celebrated everywhere for hardiness, free, constant bloom, and the beautiful form, finish, and color of their fragrant flowers.

**LA FRANCE.** This famous silvery-pink Rose is still unequalled and universally popular. 15 cts.

**DUCHESS OF ALBANY.** A sport from *La France*, differing only in the deeper, rich rose-pink of its flowers. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts., or 7 for \$1.00.

**WHITE LA FRANCE** (*Augustine Guinoisseau*). Large, elegant, pearl-white flowers flushed with rose,—see illustration. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

**STRIPED LA FRANCE.** A capricious beauty that shows in odd, clear stripings both the lovely pink and white tints of the family. 25 cts. each.

**For 50 Cts.** we will mail one good strong plant of all The Four La France Roses.

### CHOICE MOSS ROSES.

The Moss Roses are great favorites on account of their beautiful buds and delightful fragrance; they are all very hardy.

**BLANCHE MOREAU.** Pure white, of perfect form, well mossed. 25 cts. each.

**COMTESSE DE MURINAIS.** White-shaded blush; a good grower. 25 cts. each.

**CRIMSON GLOBE.** Large, finely formed flowers of deep crimson; full and globular. 30 cts.

**ZENOBIA.** Buds well mossed, satiny rose. 30 cts.

Any two for 45 cts., or the four for 80 cts.



## Five Fine Polyantha or Fairy Roses.

The Polyantha, or FAIRY ROSES, are dwarf, hardy, and ever-blooming, producing masses of extremely beautiful, double, and fragrant little flowers. These traits, together with their habit of flowering in panicked clusters of from five to fifty blooms, make them particularly valuable for bedding, either by themselves or for edging beds of larger Roses. They also make neat and beautiful pot plants, and their bewitching little buds and flowers are favorites for wearing.

**GLOIRE DE POLYANTHA.** A beautiful dwarf variety, with small cup-like flowers. The color is a bright rosy-pink, with a red ray through each petal. Very distinct and beautiful, producing its flowers in large clusters of from twenty to twenty-five each. 10 cts. each; 6 for 50 cts.

**MIGNONETTE.** Vigorous and unusually free-blooming; immense clusters of perfectly double, rosy-flesh flowers. Price 10 cts each; 6 for 50 cts., postpaid.

**MINIATURE.** Notable as the *smallest of all Roses*. Flowers pure white, about the size of a dime, but very double and borne in graceful sprays. 10 cts. each; 6 for 50 cts.

**Mlle. CECILE BRUNNER.** Strong growing, and one of the finest varieties. Flowers salmon-pink, with deep center; very small, full, and delicately scented; exquisite in bud and flower. Price 10 cts. each; 6 for 50 cts.

**CLOTILDE SOUPERT.** The flowers of this beautiful, hardy, ever-blooming Rose are much larger than those of any other Polyantha. For general culture in the open ground its growth is simply perfect; the constant profusion of bloom from the handsome dwarf bushes is really wonderful. The flowers, of medium size, are perfectly double; pearl-white, with rose-pink center. Price 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 6 for 50 cts.; 12 for \$1.00.

The five, as above, mailed for 40 cts.



CLOTILDE SOUPERT—A SINGLE PLANT.

## TWO-YEAR-OLD ROSES FOR IMMEDIATE EFFECT.

PENROSE NURSERIES have long been famous for Roses of this class, because of the strong plants which have not been forced. A list of varieties with prices will be quoted on application.

Many of our customers, not familiar with the merits of the different varieties, desire a good bed of two-year-old Roses that will furnish an abundance of flowers with but little care. We offer two collections of strong two-year-old Roses at the price of \$3.00 per dozen. One collection contains twelve varieties of the best EVER-BLOOMING Roses, the other is composed entirely of Hardy Hybrid Perpetuals. The selection of named varieties will be made personally by ROBT. SCOTT & SON. The EVER-BLOOMING COLLECTION will include *Maman Cochet*, *Clotilde Soupert*, and ten other choice sorts. The other collection will include *Mrs. J. Sharman Crawford*, *Margaret Dickson*, and ten other of the hardiest and best HYBRID PERPETUAL ROSES.

These collections of 12 for \$3.00 offer an unusual opportunity to secure The BEST Two-year-old Roses at a greatly reduced price. These Roses can be sent only by express, purchasers to pay charges upon receipt.

# Fifty Ever-Blooming TEA ROSES.

All at TEN CENTS EACH, or \$1.00 per dozen, postpaid.

In selecting THE BEST FIFTY TEA ROSES *not offered elsewhere in this Catalogue*, a high, progressive standard has been maintained and differing individual tastes have been consulted. The selection includes many of the best newer kinds, as well as standard sorts, and all are sold AT ONLY TEN CENTS EACH, or \$1.00 PER DOZEN, *purchaser's choice of varieties*. These Roses are as fine as any of the famous stock we offer, and will begin to grow and bloom soon after planting, continuing to produce flowers until frost. Though hardy in the South, TEA ROSES require protection during winter in our Middle and Northern States.

**ALBERTINE BORQUET.** Flowers and buds are finely formed and of good substance; color a lovely yellow-mauve, with light Nile-green shading at the center.

**ANNA OLIVER.** Very double flowers of creamy-blush, tinged with carmine and silvery-rose.

**ARCHDUKE CHARLES.** Flowers large; pale rose, changing to deep crimson; richly flaked.

**BARONESS BERGE.** The flowers are camellia-like, with recurving petals. The color is light yellow, bordered with pink, and center of a warm china-rose.

**BON SILENE.** Noted for the great size and beauty of its buds. Carmine-rose, shaded with salmon.

**CAPTAIN LE FORT.** Large, pointed buds of the fine *Mermet* type; deep, rich pink, shaded with salmon-rose.

**CATHARINE MERMET.** Its buds are faultless in form, and charming in their every shade of color, from the purest silvery-rose to the exquisite combining of yellow and rose, which illumines the base of petals.

**CHRISTINE DE NOUE.** A color yet rare among Teas; deep, dark maroon-crimson, with full, bright center of crimson-lake. Very fragrant, of unusual size.

**COMTESSE DUSY.** Large, full, pure white flowers of handsome, imbricated form; very beautiful buds.

**COQUETTE DE LYON.** Called "*Yellow Hermosa*" because of its wonderfully free bloom. Full flowers of canary-yellow; delightfully fragrant.

**DEVONIENSIS.** Called "*The Magnolia Rose*," because of its distinct and delightful fragrance. Very large flowers of creamy-white, with center of delicate rose.

**DUCHESS DE BRABANT.** Flowers large and fragrant; soft, bright rose, shaded with amber and salmon.

**EMPRESS EUGENIE.** Beautiful, rosy-flesh, deepening at center to clear pink; very large and full; hardy.

**GENERAL LEE.** Lovely buds of a soft, even tone of nasturtium-yellow, tinged with warm pink.

**GOLDEN GATE.** Rich creamy-white, tinged with golden-yellow and bordered with clear rose.

**HERMOSA.** Pink flowers of medium size, full, fragrant, and borne abundantly in clusters.

**H. M. STANLEY.** Color a rare and *remarkably beautiful shade of clear amber-rose*, delicately tinted toward the center with fine apricot-yellow.

**ISABELLA SPRUNT.** A free-flowering favorite. Beautiful buds and flowers of bright canary-yellow.

**J. B. VARRONE.** Intense crimson-scarlet, illumined with copper and salmon; handsome foliage.

**LA NEIGE.** This is a valuable new *Daily* or *Bengal* that gives a great number of perfect flowers; pure white, of medium size and very double.

**MADAME CAMILLE.** Flowers and buds of grand size; rosy-flesh, shaded with salmon and carmine.

**MADAME CAROLINE CUSTER.** One of the hardiest. Large, double flowers of beautiful orange-yellow.

**MADAME DE WATTEVILLE** (*The Tulip Rose*). Salmon-white, bordered with bright rose.

**MADAME ELIE LAMBERT.** Flowers are superb creamy-blush, with center of fresh carnation-rose.

**MADAME ETIENNE** (*Dwarf Catharine Mermet*). Has all the beauty of the type; delicate pink, shaded rose.

**MADAME EDWARD HELFENBIEN.** Color chamois-apricot-yellow, shaded with carmine-rose and most beautifully veined.

**MADAME FRANCISCA KRUGER.** Large, full flowers, coppery-yellow, shaded with peach; handsome.

**MADAME JOSEPH SCHWARTZ.** White, shaded with flesh-pink; full flowers of medium size.

**MADAME JULES FINGER.** Very double flowers; rich creamy-white, shaded delicate salmon-rose.

**MADAME LAMBARD.** Extra large, full flowers of rosy-salmon; varies richly in color.

**MADAME MARTHE DU BOURG.** The flowers are *cup-shaped*, with *crimped petals*. The color is fine, creamy-pink, with rosy-flesh center.

**MADAME PERNET DUCHER.** The buds are long and pointed, of a clear sulphur-yellow color, deepening toward the center to golden-yellow.

**MARIE GUILLOT.** The best white Tea for summer bloom. White, tinted with pale yellow.

**MARION DINGEE.** Brilliant crimson; of good form and substance, and borne freely all summer.

**MARECHAL NIEL.** The finest of all yellow Roses. Grand buds of golden-yellow, splendid for the South.

**MRS. DE GRAW.** Entirely hardy and unequalled for garden culture; fragrant, rich, glossy pink.

**PAPA GONTIER.** Immense, pointed, fragrant buds of rich cherry-red; always in bloom.

**PERLE DES JARDINS.** Has no rival except *Marechal Niel*; most beautiful flower; rich canary-yellow.

**PERNET'S TRIUMPH.** Large, long-stemmed buds and flowers of clear magenta-red.

**QUEEN'S SCARLET.** Color rich, velvety scarlet; a strong, vigorous grower and a constant bloomer.

**SAFRANO.** Beautiful tawny-orange buds.

**SOUV. DE GABRIEL DREVET.** A rare shade of salmon-red or terra cotta, delicately toned with violet-crimson; flowers large and deliciously fragrant.

**SNOWFLAKE.** Neat, dwarf habit and wonderful in profusion of bloom; pure white flowers.

**SOUV. DE WOOTTON.** Grand, broad flowers of rich Jacqueminot-red.

**STAR OF GOLD.** Full, round flowers of the largest size; deep golden-yellow, with rich citron center.

**SUNSET** (*The After-Glow Rose*). Inimitable in color. Rich, golden-amber shaded with ruddy copper.

**THE BRIDE.** Among the best of the large double white roses for cut flowers and general culture.

**THE QUEEN.** Noted for its continual profusion of large, perfect, pure white flowers.

**WHITE MICROPHYLLA.** Large, satiny, fragrant flowers produced at intervals all summer; foliage glossy; hardy and an evergreen at the South.

**RED MICROPHYLLA.** Like the white variety in general habit, but with pretty red flowers.

**Reduced PRICES for 1897.** The Fifty ROSES described above are sold now at the reduced price of TEN CENTS Each, or any TWELVE for One Dollar,—purchaser's choice of varieties, each labeled distinctly and always warranted true to name. We mail good strong plants, guaranteed to arrive safely at any post-office. Any complaints, however, must be made *within one week after receipt of the plants*.

## OTHER BEAUTIFUL ROSES

To economize space we do not duplicate names and varieties, but in every collection have given the price at which each variety can be purchased separately.

are described in the several collections offered in the FARM ANNUAL and on the pink circular enclosed.



# Best Perpetual HARDY HYBRID ROSES.

These are the most royal of all Roses. Their beauty is of a bold, brave type, quite distinct from the delicacy of color and odor which characterizes the Teas. Once they embraced only the darker, richer tints in their immense, full flowers, but now include the purest whites and delicate pinks. In the newer varieties, the season of bloom has been extended more generally over the season, although their grandest show of flowers is still made through autumn and spring.

**AMERICAN BEAUTY.** For splendid size, elegant form, warmth of color, and rich fragrance this Rose is yet unequalled. The buds are enormous, the grand flowers full, and of a deep, glowing carmine. The plant is strong, bushy, and blooms constantly. 25 cts. each.

**ANNA ALEXIEFF.** This Rose is noted for its remarkably fine, distinct shade of pink. The flowers are large, full, and sweet. 15 cts.

**BARON DE BONSTETTIN.** Splendid, large flowers, very double and full. Color a rich, dark red, passing to a deep, velvety maroon, almost black; highly scented. 15 cts.

**CAPTAIN CHRISTY.** The best and freest blooming of its color. Large, broad, satiny flowers of light peach-pink, with deeper shade at the center. 15 cts.

**CAPTAIN HAYWARD.** Exhibited in England, this remarkable Hybrid made quite a sensation, and was judged superior even to *General Jacqueminot*. The flowers are large and bold, of intense, glowing red. Thrown into prominence by long, strong stems above dark, massive foliage, they are well calculated to create a sensation, whether cut for decoration or growing on the bush. The habit of the plant is vigorous, upright, free blooming, and hardy, even in the North. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00.

**COQUETTE DES ALPES.** One of the finest; freest blooming. The large white flowers are always double; sometimes faintly tinged with pink. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

**EARL OF DUFFERIN.** The finest dark-red Rose of recent years. Rich, brilliant, velvety crimson, shaded dark maroon; beautifully formed and highly scented. 15 cts. each.

**GLOIRE DE MARGOTTIN.** A clear, dazzling scarlet-red, of a luminous quality that shines like a red light. The full, sweet flowers are borne in abundance. 15 cts.

**GENERAL JACQUEMINOT.** The best known and most admired of all crimson Roses. The form of the bud is perfect, while the color is intense. 10 cts.

**GENERAL WASHINGTON.** Brilliant crimson flowers of full, broad form. One of the most satisfactory Roses for general planting, as it blooms constantly. 15 cts.

**JEAN LIABAUD.** Fiery crimson; center rich, velvety crimson; flowers large and double. 15 cts. each.

**MADAME PLANTIER.** Flowers of medium size, full, sweet, and the purest white known in Roses. Very hardy and blooms early. 10 cts. each.

**MAGNA CHARTA.** Extra large, bold flowers; very double; of fine form and sweet; color clear rosy-red, beautifully flushed with violet-crimson; a sure and profuse bloomer; very fragrant. 10 cts. each.

**MARCHIONESS OF LORNE.** We have identified this as the variety that has given such excellent satisfaction as **THE GREAT UNKNOWN**. It is the hardiest of all ever-blooming climbers, standing our severest weather with no protection whatever. It blooms at intervals all through the summer, *profusely in spring and autumn*. Its large, brilliant flowers resemble *American Beauty's*, very near their size and color, but a little darker. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00.

**MARGARET DICKSON.** This grand new Rose is easily first among white Hybrids. Its large and very double flowers are elegantly formed and well presented on long, stiff stems; they are pure white, with pale flesh center and magnolia fragrance. 20 cts. each.



**MARIE BAUMAN.** An excellent Rose; color rich ruby-red, changing to scarlet-maroon. 20 cts. each.

**MRS. JOHN LAING.** Flowers of splendid size and fullness; delightful fragrance, and clear, deep pink color; blooms the first season and constantly. 15 cts.

**MRS. J. SHARMAN CRAWFORD.** Flowers very large, of perfect imbricated form, and produced continuously until late in the autumn. Color deep rose, satiny pink; the outer petals are white at the base, uniquely shaded with pale pink. 25 cts. each, or 5 for \$1.00.

**PAUL NEYRON.** The largest of all Roses, yet always perfectly formed; very bright, clear rose, deepening to crimson; fragrant; free blooming. 15 cts. each.

**PERFECTION DES BLANCHES.** White, double flowers, large, fragrant, and abundant. 15 cts. each.

**PRINCE CAMILLE DE ROHAN.** The darkest and richest of the red-black Roses. 20 cts. each.

**QUEEN OF QUEENS.** Almost every shoot is crowned with a flower-bud. Color beautiful silver-rose, edged with deep bluish. Large, full, and very sweet. 20 cts.

**ROSIERISTE JACOBS.** Bright, velvety red, shaded with maroon. Very rich and attractive. 15 cts. each.

**ULRICH BRUNNER.** Bold, handsome buds and flowers of brilliant cherry-red, flamed with crimson-scarlet; very showy, bright, and effective. *On account of the immense size and perfect form of its brilliant flowers, this is now more popular than the famous Jacqueminot.* 10 cts. each.

**VICK'S CAPRICE.** A striped Rose of glossy pink, dashed and flamed with white and carmine. 15 cts.

## THE HARDY HYBRID PERPETUAL ROSES

cost the most, because they are the most difficult to propagate. The twenty-five varieties, briefly described above, are the very best of this grand family of Roses,—the superb, fragrant flowers will frequently measure five inches across.

They are the most hardy and vigorous of all Roses, and when once established will live through the winter in the most exposed situation without protection. When young they should have some protection during winter. If properly pruned and cared for the plants will increase in strength and beauty for many succeeding years. They should be planted invariably in the open ground, not being suitable for house culture.



BURPEE'S NEW BEGONIA,—VULCAN.—See page 14.

## BEGONIAS

for Bedding and House Culture.

**VULCAN.** A grand Novelty for 1897. Originated at FORDHOOK FARM, and is an intense Scarlet Vernon.—see full description on page 14. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.; 10 for \$1.00, postpaid.

**VERNON.** 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 12 for \$1.00. For full description, see page 102 of *Flower Seeds*.

**ERFORDIA.** A valuable German novelty, fully described on page 102. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.

**PERFECT BOUQUET.** Of neat, dwarf growth and picturesque massing of pure white flowers, with bronze-green leaves. It blooms freely in the open ground, and makes also one of the most unique, charming little plants for winter flowering in the window. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.

**MADAME DE LESSEPS.** Handsome and strong growing, with splendid leaves of bronzy-purple, richly marked with silver, and beautiful pink and white flowers. 10 cts. each, postpaid.

**METALLICA.** Grand for tall specimen plants; thick panicles of pink buds and white flowers against large, red-veined leaves of glistening bronze-green. 10 cts. each, postpaid.

**RUBRA.** A splendid old variety, with stout canes that grow amazingly fast, spreading clusters of coral-red flowers amid leaves of deepest green. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts., postpaid.

**For 60 Cts.** we will send, postpaid, one strong plant each of the **Seven Select Begonias** described above; or **any three varieties** for 25 cts.

## THE BEST CANNAS IN CULTIVATION.

Where brightest and most imposing effects are desired in bedding the Canna is unequalled. Recent years have wrought wonderful improvement in the Dwarf French race, increasing its beauty a hundred-fold. A fine bed may be enjoyed by every one with a few feet of ground.

### CANNA "ITALIA"



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**ALPHONSE BOUVIER.** Its every shoot is topped by enormous trusses of vivid crimson-scarlet flowers, a single plant sometimes showing thirty or forty at one time. 15 cts. each.

**AUSTRIA.** Very large foliage; grand spikes of large canary-yellow flowers, spotted in the throat with brownish-red. 50 cts. each.

**CHARLES HENDERSON.** Flowers wide and rounded, vermilion-red delicately penciled with yellow in the center. 15 cts.

**DUCHESS DE MONTEMORTE.** Both flowers and clusters are very large; clear, bright yellow, dotted with scarlet. 15 cts.

**ITALIA.** Large foliage, deep green, bordered white; very large iris-shaped flowers, bright red, bordered with golden-yellow. Belongs to what is called the orchid-flowered section. A grand Novelty. 75 cts. each.

**MADAME CROZY.** Flowers of flaming scarlet, with a wide border of golden-yellow. Very showy. 15 cts.

**MISS SARAH HILL.** Very dwarf, handsome, light-green foliage; flowers large, petals well rounded, superb amaranth carmine. 15 cts.

**PAUL MARQUANT.** Immense flowers in bold, shapely trusses; shimmering salmon-rose, with silvery luster of many changeable tints. 10 cts. each.

**QUEEN CHARLOTTE.** Large flowers of rich scarlet, with a wide, bright gold band around each petal. Musa-like green foliage. 25 cts. each.

**STAR OF GOLD.** Clusters of grand, large flowers of rich golden-yellow. 25 cts.

**For \$1.00** we will mail one strong root each of the above, except *Austria* and *Italia*, making **eight for \$1.00**; or for 50 cts. we will send one good, strong root each of *Alphonse Bouvier*, *Madame Crozy*, *Charles Henderson*, *Paul Marquant*, and *Star of Gold*,—making **five of the best Cannas for 50 cts.**, postpaid, by mail.

**For \$3.00** we will send by express, at purchaser's expense, **TEN strong roots EACH** of *Alphonse Bouvier*, *Star of Gold*, *Charles Henderson*, *Madame Crozy*, and *Paul Marquant*,—**FIFTY** roots in all,—varieties each of which has received the highest award as the best sort of its color. Or, for **\$2.00** we will send five of each of these,—**twenty-five** in all.

# SIX CHOICE CARNATIONS FOR 50 CTS.

With the change of one variety, this is the same collection that was so popular last year. Our idea in making up these compact and popular plant collections is to select varieties each of which shall be so good and distinct that the purchaser will want them all. The prices also are low and popular, while the plants are strong and well-rooted, all ready to begin blooming. With each collection we send plain directions for culture.



**DAYBREAK.** *The favorite Carnation*, because of its rare and lovely color; a very pure bright shade of flesh-pink in a large, full-fringed flower of rich fragrance and perfect form. The plant is bushy and strong, blooming early. 15 cts.

**KITTY CLOVER.** A most prolific and continuous bloomer; light yellow, striped lightly with red and white. A finely formed, perfect flower, with fringed petals; fragrant, which is an unusual thing in a yellow Carnation. 20 cts.; 3 for 50 cts.

**LIZZIE MCGOWAN.** *By far the finest of all white Carnations*, either for open-air culture or winter flowers. The plants are strong and wonderful bloomers, carrying their large, fringed, snowy flowers upon splendid stems. 10 cts. each.

**PORTIA.** Intensely rich, bright scarlet flowers of medium size; strong, dwarf, and always in bloom. Succeeds well everywhere, and is the most popular and valuable of the dark varieties. 10 cts.

**SWEETBRIER.** A lovely new variety, with fine flowers of the same fresh, delightful shade of pink seen in the *Sweetbrier Rose*. The fragrance is delightful and the plant is strong. 20 cts. each.

**WILLIAM SCOTT.** This is a most promising novelty, and undoubtedly the freest blooming of all pink Carnations. Every shoot of the strong, bushy plant bears its long, stout stem of fine, full, sweet flowers; color bright, delicate rosy-pink. 15 cts. each.

**For 50 Cts.** *we will send, postpaid, one strong plant each of the six Choice Carnations named above, including the very best white, pink, yellow, and scarlet varieties, with two of the best new Carnations.*

# SIX EXTRA CHOICE CARNATIONS.

**For 75 Cts.** we will send, postpaid, by mail, one good, strong plant each of the six extra choice Carnations described below. Any of these or of the above six will be mailed separately at the prices attached, or we will send **BOTH COLLECTIONS, —twelve of the best Carnations,—for ONE DOLLAR**, each distinctly labeled, guaranteed to be true to name and to arrive in good growing condition at any post-office in the United States. Carnations are popular everywhere, and from the long list of varieties we have selected twelve of the most beautiful, which are sure to bloom profusely and give entire satisfaction to all lovers of these favorite, fragrant flowers.

**ELDORADO.** *See illustration.* This is the best yellow Carnation. A vigorous grower, with healthy foliage and finely formed flowers; as fine a flower as *Buttercup*, but a better grower and more profuse bloomer. A good yellow variety has long been desired, and this should be in every collection. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00.

**FRED DORNER.** A deep, velvety red,—a most perfect color, soft, yet brilliant; the flower is of the largest size, perfectly double, nicely fringed, and of very sweet fragrance. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

**MADAME DIAZ ALBERTINI.** Blooms freely during the whole season. Calyx peculiar cup-shape, the points bracing against the petals, making it very strong. Flower of large size, center round and full; color a delicate flesh-pink, with a very strong clove fragrance; has excellent keeping qualities. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

**METEOR.** Magnificent large flowers, of a beautiful, deep, brilliant scarlet-maroon color. Pronounced the richest shade of color yet seen in Carnations. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

**OPHELIA.** The most beautiful deep, rich pink. Large, perfect flowers of delightful fragrance, borne in profusion. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.

**PURITAN.** Flowers of the finest white of large size, measuring two and one-half to three inches across; very full and of good substance, lasting, if well grown, long after being cut. Fragrant; an early and continuous bloomer. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.



This Page of CARNATIONS,—all the choice varieties described above in both collections,—**TWELVE Grand Carnations**,—neatly boxed and each labeled, mailed to any address for **ONE DOLLAR**. Outside of our unequalled collections of Roses it would be difficult to invest one dollar in any plants that will give such satisfaction, both in the garden and in rich profusion of fragrant flowers for cutting.

## Six Grand CHRYSANTHEMUMS for 50 Cts.

We have grown an ample stock of the following varieties to make possible this UNEQUALED COLLECTION of Six New and Best Chrysanthemums for 50 Cts.



**GLORY OF THE PACIFIC.** For early autumn flowering in the open ground this is the **very best pink**. The magnificent large flowers have finely reflexed, broad petals, which show the clear pink color to best advantage. *Truly a grand Novelty!* 35 cts. each; 4 for \$1.00.

**DALLIEDOUZE.** Massive flowers of noble form, grandly incurved, and of great substance; color is a rare, deep golden-yellow. 15 cts. each.

**GEORGE W. CHILDS.** Deep, dark, velvety crimson-scarlet, of an intense, glowing shade. 20 cts.

**IVORY.** Its large, pure white flowers are beautifully incurved, very double, and exceedingly graceful in their regularity. 10 cts. each.

**MRS. E. G. HILL.** The petals are thick and shining, forming a huge, double, incurved flower of delicate, pure pearl-pink. 15 cts. each.

**PHILADELPHIA.** The flower is an enormous bright sphere, composed of thick, crisp, grooved, and pointed petals of great width, and majestically carried upon bold, strong stems. The great flowers are snowy-white, with a wonderful illumination of bright, soft lemon-yellow on the tips of the polished petals. 20 cts. each; 6 for \$1.00.

**For 50 Cts.** we will send one strong plant each of the Six New and Rare Chrysanthemums described above.

**For 60 Cts.** we will send all the above and also one strong plant of the New Early Chrysanthemum, **Wm. Simpson**. This variety obtained the highest honor at the Philadelphia Chrysanthemum Show last year. The color is a delicate shade of pink. The flowers are over six inches in diameter and are in flower October 15th.

## Twenty Selected Chrysanthemums.

TEN CENTS each; Sixteen for \$1.00, or ALL Twenty for \$1.25.

**ADA SPAULDING.** Full center of creamy-white; shades to rich salmon-pink in the outer petals.

**ADVANCE.** Bright rose-pink, with center of deeper pink, beautifully tipped with golden-bronze.

**CAPRICE (Ostrich Plume).** Deep pink.

**CULLINGFORDII.** Flowers large, reflexed, deep crimson-scarlet.

**ELLA MAY.** The color shines like rich gilding; clear, light yellow, lined and shaded with ruddy bronze.

**GOLDEN WEDDING.** Its large, noble incurved flowers of glistening golden-yellow are exceedingly graceful, grandly presented on strong stems.

**HARRY E. WIDENER.** Bold flowers of glittering gold-bronze; spoon-shaped petals are faced with red.

**HICKS ARNOLD.** Flowers of true, deep, bright old gold; large, very double, and almost round.

**KIOTO.** Glossy petals so regularly recurved as to form a smooth ball of deep chrome-yellow.

**MAUD DEAN.** The large, beautifully incurved flowers show a rare, lovely shade of pink, approaching rose.

**MINNIE WANAMAKER.** Extra large, pure white.

**MRS. A. C. BURPEE.** The flowers of this fine Japanese variety sometimes measure eight inches across; deep yellow, shaded with bronze.

**MRS. A. J. DREXEL.** The long, gracefully twisted petals form great, half-spheres of rich crimson-lake.

**MRS. GEORGE BULLOCK.** Great, rounded, pure white flowers, presenting a very soft, feathery effect.

**MRS. IRVING CLARKE.** A very free-flowering variety. Pearl-white, shading to deep rose at the center.

**MRS. J. G. WHILLDIN.** Very early; flowers of splendid size and form; petals long; soft lemon-yellow.

**ROSLYN.** The bold, handsome flowers are of a remarkably fine pink color, likened to the *Mermel Rose*.

**SOURCE D'OR.** Flowers large, with twisted golden-yellow petals, tipped with reddish-brown.

**UNDINE (Ostrich Plume).** Rosy-salmon; reverse amber. Nicely incurved and plummy.

**WALTER W. COLES.** Bright, bronzy terra-cotta, of most peculiar and striking shade. Flowers large.

## New Early-Flowering Chrysanthemums.

This beautiful race is perennial and thoroughly hardy. Planted in garden beds or borders, they perfect fine flowers quite early and continue to bloom until late in the autumn, after the frost has killed all other flowers.

**DR. LABAT.** A glittering combination of crimson and rosy-bronze, lighted with yellow. 15 cts. each.

**GUSTAVE MORIN.** A splendid flowering variety of dwarf growth and free-flowering habit. Color pink with light center. 15 cts.

**MADAME BERGMAN.** Reflexed and perfectly double; pure white, with yellow-shaded center. 15 cts.

**MADAME LOUIS LIONNET.** Graceful flowers of pure white, with lemon-tinted center. 15 cts. each.

**MARION HENDERSON.** The flowers are very large, but quite graceful; color a rich buttery-yellow. 20 cts.

**MARQUISE DE MONTMORT.** Exquisite fluffy balls of soft, even-tinted silvery-rose. 15 cts. each.

**MISS KATE BROWN.** The beautiful flowers are extra large, reflexed, and pure white. 15 cts. each.

**PRESIDENT DE LEON SAY.** A very brilliant variety, with large, handsome flowers of coppery-bronze, changing to brightest golden-yellow. 15 cts. each.

**For 40 Cts.** we will send one strong plant each of *Gustave Morin, Marion Henderson, Madame Bergman, and President de Leon Say*,—postpaid, by mail, to any address.

## Six Superb Double GERANIUMS for 50 Cts.

To the owners of large collections or to amateurs with space for but a few Geraniums, all of which must be distinct and of the very best, we confidently recommend the six named below as the very finest horticulture has yet produced. They include choice novelties of the year,—and if purchased separately these six would cost ninety-five cents.

**AGNES KELWAY.** The grandest double pink Geranium it is possible to conceive. Immense trusses, flowering as freely as the single sorts,—one mass of rosy-pink flowers. This will surely supersede all other double pink Geraniums for bedding or for pots. 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00.

**BOULE DE NIEGE (Snowball).** Trusses enormous, spherical, and even, with very large, double florets of purest white; growth strong, always one mass of splendid, snowy clusters. Undoubtedly the very best white.—we counted one hundred and twenty-four buds and flowers on one large truss on a field-grown plant. 20 cts. each.

**BRUANTIL.** A most beautiful bedder; flowers very large and double; vermilion-red. 10 cts. each.

**DR. MAREST.** Flowers of remarkably vivid carmine-scarlet, very large, perfectly double, and well-massed; growth dwarf, yet broad and massive. Always in bloom and always singled out as the best and brightest bedding variety growing in our fields. 20 cts. each; 6 for \$1.00.

**LE CID.** Very wide-petaled, double florets of an intense, velvety, deep scarlet, unequalled in any other Geranium. A magnificent variety. 10 cts.

**WHITE SWAN.** A noble variety, the superb habit of which is well shown in the illustration below. Florets large and very double, always purest white; continually in bloom. 10 cts. each; 12 for \$1.00.



For 50 Cts. we will send, postpaid, one strong plant each of the six superb varieties named above, including Agnes Kelway, one of the greatest Novelties yet introduced in Geraniums.

## STANDARD LIST OF CHOICE GERANIUMS.

Their culture in the open fields at the MODEL FARM is a fine test of the capabilities of Geraniums for bedding, and any found lacking in vigor, freedom of bloom, size of truss, or brilliancy and constancy of color are quickly discarded. Strict comparative trials as pot plants are made also in the greenhouses, so that we know the following to be a fine, well-sifted list of the very best GERANIUMS for round-the-world and round-the-year culture.

**BEAUTÉ POITEVINE.** Extra large, semi-double flowers of bright salmon, deeper at the border. 10 cts.

**BERANGER.** Deep carmine, shaded with crimson. Dwarf and free blooming. 15 cts. each.

**BONNAT.** Brightest carmine-rose; trusses very large and round; florets double. 10 cts. each.

**CENTAURE.** This splendid variety is continually covered with grand, spherical trusses of brightest, glowing pink. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

**GEOFFREY DE ST. HILAIRE.** Glowing scarlet flowers, rayed with violet-crimson; double. 10 cts.

**GLORY OF FRANCE.** Trusses very large, on bold, strong stems; florets waxen salmon-white, with distinct dark center of salmon-red. 15 cts. each.

**MADAME CHEVELIERE.** All through the summer this new variety produces more trusses than any other double white Geranium. 10 cts. each.

**MARGUERITE DE LAYRES.** A grand single white Geranium. The florets are extra large, round, very pure and snowy, forming beautiful trusses of grand size. The plant is robust and shapely in habit, and so free in flowering that it looks like one continual mass of white. 15 cts. each.

**MLLE. DEA DIEUDONNE.** New double white, with large trusses and florets. 10 cts. each.

**MONTESQUIEU.** Splendid trusses of large, double flowers; distinct rosy-mauve, shaded with lilac. 10 cts.

**M. POIRIER.** Enormous trusses of beautiful carmine-violet, richly marked; florets large, single. 10 cts.

**MRS. A. BLANC.** Apricot-red, with center of vinous rose; large, round florets. Very beautiful. 10 cts. each.

**MRS. GLADSTONE.** Ground color pure white, and shaded flesh-pink toward the center; a beautiful combination. Fine, bold truss and splendid habit; double. 15 cts. each.

**RUY BLAS.** Rich, bright salmon, double. 10 cts.



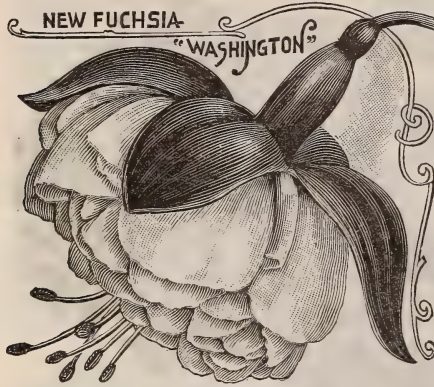
**WHITE SWAN.** Large and very double, always purest white; continually in bloom. 10 cts. each; 12 for \$1.00.

**SOUVENIR DE MIRANDE.** Large, single florets, satiny white, exquisitely bordered carmine. 10 cts.

**TURTLE SURPRISE.** A surprisingly odd and unique variety, refreshingly distinct. In outdoor beds the stalks and flower-stems have their usual green color, but when transplanted to the house change to almost pure white. In curious contrast is the profusion of flat-rayed flowers of deep, intense scarlet. 15 cts. each.

## Seven of the Best FUCHSIAS mailed for 50 CTS.

The seven superb Fuchsias, described briefly below are sure to please all lovers of these delicate, graceful flowers. The entire set can be recommended as the best-growing, best-flowering seven sorts of distinct colors to be found among all the double and single varieties in cultivation. All seven mailed for 50 cts.



**BLACK PRINCE.** A single-flowering sort, of strong growth, with red sepals and light carmine corolla. All summer it is a mass of buds and bloom. 15 cts. each.

**BUFFON.** Superior to **Storm King**, and of erect growth. Very vigorous, and with beautiful dark-green foliage. The enormous flowers are produced in profusion, and are pure white, penciled with bright crimson. 15 cts. each.

**CARMALITA.** A lovely new variety of strong, graceful, drooping growth. Corolla purest white; semi-double, with tube and sepals of bright rose. 15 cts. each.

**EMPEROR OF GERMANY.** Flowers very large, double, rich wine-red, sepals changing to lovely carmine. 15 cts.

**GENERAL ROBERTS.** A unique, profuse-blooming single variety, with buds sometimes two and one-half inches long. The entire flower is rich red-maroon. 15 cts. each.

**PHENOMENAL.** Of exceedingly strong growth, with large, red-veined leaves and flowers of enormous size. Tube and sepals are bright scarlet; corolla rich purple. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts., postpaid.

**WASHINGTON.** Tube and sepals of soft, rich carmine, beautifully contrasted with a superb, wide, double corolla of true rose-mauve. Of strong, rapid growth. 20 cts.

## NEW DOUBLE IVY-LEAVED GERANIUMS.

The ivy-like leaves are bright and glossy, and the plants are all of the easiest culture. They are admirable for hanging pots or baskets, and fine specimen plants trained upon trellises are very effective in decoration.

**JOAN OF ARC.** The flowers are perfectly double, white as snow, and literally cover the plant when in full bloom. The foliage is extremely handsome and most effective.

**CAMILLE FLAMMARION.** Large, cup-shaped flowers of deep rose. A splendid bloomer. One of the best.

**CHARLES TURNER.** Color light scarlet with soft rose tint, two upper petals veined with maroon-crimson.

**GALILEE.** Rich, deep pink, delicately veined with a pretty shade of lilac; large flowers of good substance. A beautiful plant for summer bloom or the winter window.

Price 15 cts. each, or the set of four for 50 cts., postpaid.



## OTAHEITE ORANGE.

This distinct variety of the Orange family was brought originally from an island in the Pacific Ocean, where the growing season extends throughout the year. As will be seen by the illustration from nature, flowers and fruit are borne at the same time. The flowers are deliciously fragrant, and identical with the much-sought-for blossoms of the tropical orange groves. The fruit, which is bright, like little balls of gold, holds its color and hangs on the branches for months. Of the easiest culture, growing compact and well balanced to the height of twelve to fifteen inches. We can thoroughly recommend it as a *first-class pot-plant*, that will bloom freely on the veranda during the summer, and indoors during winter. Having an immense stock, we offer it at a low price.

Price 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.; 9 for \$1.00, postpaid. We have a few two-year-old plants, by express only, 25 cts. and 50 cts. each, according to size.

## True Magnolia-Scented MOONFLOWER.

A remarkably strong and rapid grower, this grand and luxuriant climber retains its popularity. We have known single vines to cover more than twenty square feet of surface in a season. It will grow in any ordinary situation, and will, in the summer twilight, burst into a sheet of splendid silvery-white, moon-shaped flowers, which are delightfully perfumed. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts., postpaid.

## BLUE MOONFLOWER (*Ipomea Leari*).

This charming variety is particularly valuable as being in striking contrast with the well-known *Magnolia Moonflower* described above. The habit of growth, freedom of bloom, and form of flowers is the same, but the color is clear, satiny blue, barred with fine crimson. 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.

For a **NOVEL EFFECT** plant the two Moonflowers together,—both for 25 cts., postpaid.

# Burpee's Summer-Flowering Bulbs.

These Bulbs for spring planting are *inexpensive and very easily grown*. They make quickly a gorgeous display, while the bulbs can be kept over winter, and will continue year after year to return a hundred-fold, in beauty and satisfaction, the trifling expense of the original cost. Our prices are for choice bulbs, **postpaid, by mail**.

## BEST SEVEN LILIES.

### LILium AURATUM (The Golden-Rayed Lily of Japan).

This produces in great profusion immense flowers, which measure fully ten inches when expanded; wonderfully fragrant. Color ivory-white, with distinct central band of brightest yellow, petals thickly spotted with rich chocolate-crimson. Good bulbs, 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00, postpaid.

### LILium ELEGANS (also known as Thunbergianum).

Grows from ten to fifteen inches high, with stout, erect stems, terminated with umbels of handsome cup-shaped flowers five to six inches across. We offer a mixture which embraces all the most beautiful and distinct varieties, ranging from bright orange to deep blood-red. One of the earliest flowering of all. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; \$1.00 per doz., postpaid.

### LILium PARDALINUM (The Panther Lily).

This native variety grows with wonderful luxuriance four to six feet high, bearing gorgeous, drooping flowers of a brilliant orange-red color, not unlike a rare *Superbum*. 25 cts. each; 3 for 65 cts.

### LILium SPECIOSUM MONSTROSUM ALBUM.

This interesting and distinct kind has broad, flat foliage and stems; pure white flowers of fine form. This is the only white variety we offer. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00, postpaid.

### LILium SPECIOSUM RUBRUM (also known as Roseum).

"Handsome beyond all others on account of the clear, deep, rose color of its flowers, which seem all rugged with rubies sparkling with crystal points." 15 cts. each; 8 for \$1.00.

### LILium TIGRINUM FLORE PLENO (The Double Tiger Lily).

Grows from four to six feet high, and produces an immense number of double, bright orange-red flowers spotted with black. 15 cts. each; 4 for 50 cts.; 10 for \$1.00, postpaid.

### LILium WALLACEI.

This magnificent variety grows about three feet high, producing a profusion of beautiful buff flowers, spotted freely with maroon; entirely distinct. 15 cts. each.

For \$1.00 we will send, postpaid, to any address the Complete Collection of Seven Superb Lilies named above, and add one fine *Lilium Elegans*.



LILium AURATUM.

## SPECIAL CHEAP OFFER OF FIVE SHOWY NAMED GLADIOLI.

We offer these five showy named Gladioli at the low price (in lots of not less than five) of **2 cts. each, or \$1.75 per 100**; 200 bulbs or more at **\$1.50 per 100**, postpaid, by mail, *purchaser's choice of varieties*, and all good flowering bulbs.

### BRENCHLEYENSIS.

This brilliant Gladiolus should be extensively used for massing. It comes quickly into bloom, while it can be planted in this latitude as late as the middle of July, and will bloom even then before frost. The flowers are of a dazzling scarlet color, enveloping the entire spike.

### CERES.

The long spikes are perfectly straight, with large flowers of great substance, well formed, and all facing one way, making a solid wall of flowers. The ground color is pure white, while each flower has a large blotch of violet-rose.

### MADAME MONNERET.

A splendid, vigorous grower, with large spikes of delicate rose-colored flowers exquisitely attractive, and valuable for cutting.

### MARIE LEMOINE.

This variety shows the distinct orchid-like character of the type, with a long spike of beautiful flowers; pale cream color, flushed scarlet and spotted purple-violet, bordered with deep yellow.

### NAPOLEON III.

Fine large spikes of intensely scarlet flowers, each with a clear white throat. Few Gladioli can compare with this well-known variety for brilliancy of color and handsome markings. For grouping it is one of the very best.

All the above, distinctly labeled, *purchaser's choice*, will be mailed at the low prices given above, or we will mail sample lot of **ten bulbs** (two of each variety) for **20 cts.** It will be noticed that 200 bulbs can be had, postpaid, for \$3.00.—These can be all of one variety or assorted as desired. We supply these five varieties, in lots of not less than 1000, at **\$13.50 per 1000**, postpaid, or at **\$12.50 per 1000**, shipped by express.





# Burpee's Superb Gladioli

These seedlings have been saved from the most beautiful French Hybrids, and embrace a wide range of colors. They are in every way equal to choice named varieties, which cost many times as much. They are superior to the mixed Gladioli generally sold, as these mixtures, being made up of cheap named varieties, contain too many common red and dark colors. Our Seedling Gladioli are relied upon to bloom freely and embrace all shades of buff, salmon, pink, crimson, yellow, white, lemon, rose, maroon, scarlet, cherry, and beautifully variegated and oddly marked varieties.

**Prices of BURPEE'S SUPERB SEEDLINGS.** Large bulbs, guaranteed to flower, 3 for 10 cts.; 35 cts. per dozen; 30 for \$1.00, or \$3.00 per 100, by mail, postpaid. By express: \$2.50 per 100; \$20.00 per 1000.

## LEMOINEI SEEDLING GLADIOLI.

The colors are more intense and vivid than in any other Gladioli, but the flowers are smaller. **Fine Mixed, price: 3 for 10 cts.; 30 cts. per dozen; 40 for \$1.00, or \$2.00 per 100, by mail, postpaid.**

## FINE MIXED GLADIOLI.

Our mixed Gladioli embrace a magnificent variety of beautiful colors.

**First Size Bulbs,** guaranteed to flower, extra fine mixed, 3 for 10 cts.; 30 cts. per dozen; 50 for \$1.00, or \$1.75 per 100, postpaid. By express: \$1.25 per 100; \$11.00 per 1000.

**Second Size Bulbs,** which will all flower the first summer, 5 for 10 cts., or 20 cts. per dozen; \$1.50 per 100, postpaid. By express: \$1.00 per 100; \$9.00 per 1000, embracing all colors.

## NEW GLADIOLI CHILDSI,—Finest Mixed.

This wonderful class of Hybrid Gladioli was produced by MAX LEICHTLIN, of Germany. The American introducer describes them as follows: "They are much stronger and more vigorous than others. They are very tall and erect, often standing four or five feet high, with spikes of bloom over two feet in length. They branch freely, in most cases each stem producing three or four spikes of bloom, and bloom much earlier than ordinary varieties. The flowers are of great substance and of gigantic size, frequently seven to nine inches across. The form of both the flower and spike is perfection itself, and they last in bloom a long time before fading, owing to their great substance and vigor, but the most remarkable feature is their coloring. Orchids cannot surpass them in their varied and delicate shades, markings, and blendings. Every color known among Gladioli is represented, and many never before seen, particularly blues, smoky-grays, and purple-blacks, all having beautifully mottled and spotted throats, made up of white, crimson, pink, yellow, etc., and with a peculiar network of charming spots and colors."

**Finest Colors Mixed.** Large-flowering bulbs 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 13 for \$1.00; 30 for \$2.00, or \$6.00 per 100, postpaid.

## SEVEN SELECT NAMED GLADIOLI.

First-class bulbs of the following are offered, postpaid, at the uniform price of only 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts., or 7 for 50 cts.

**AFRICAINÉ.** Slate-brown on scarlet ground, streaked salmon and white.

**AURORA.** A splendid, strong grower, with handsome spikes of large flowers; color brightest rose passing to scarlet, with golden-yellow center.

**DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH.** Grows six feet high, bearing enormous spikes of finely formed flowers; color rich purplish-rose striped with carmine.

**FATMA.** Very large flowers of ivory-white ground profusely striped and suffused with pure rosy salmon; violet blotched or carmine ground.

**GRAND ROUGE.** Enormous spikes; color most dazzling scarlet.

**HESPERIDE.** Profusely blotched and flamed rosy-salmon. Handsome.

**OCATORON.** This lovely variety delights all; color soft salmon-pink.

**FOR 50 CTS.** we will send the set of seven named Gladioli offered above.



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For special cheap offer of NAMED GLADIOLI,—see preceding page.





**Summer-Flowering OXALIS.** The solid little bulbs, which are somewhat larger than peas, can be planted the first of May or earlier; they will produce quickly an unbroken row of elegant foliage and pretty flowers, of an attractive appearance that is maintained from early summer until late fall. They are charming for pots and hanging baskets, giving a graceful display of fine foliage and flowers. Few bulbs give so much for slight cost as these SUMMER-FLOWERING OXALIS.

**OXALIS LASANDRIA.** Beautifully cut foliage; rosy-pink flowers; grows taller than Dieppi. 12 for 10 cts.; 25 for 15 cts.; 50 for 25 cts.; 100 for 40 cts.; 1000 for \$2.50.

**OXALIS DIEPPI.** Very handsome clover-like foliage; pure white flowers. 12 for 10 cts.; 25 for 15 cts.; 50 for 25 cts.; 100 for 40 cts.; 1000 for \$2.50, postpaid.

**THE SPOTTED CALLA.**

The leaves are rich, deep green, finely spotted with white. Thus the plant, even when not in flower is ornamental. It is in all other respects like the favorite old Calla. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; 7 for \$1.00; \$1.50 per dozen, by mail, postpaid.

**CALLA OF THE NILE.** This is the favorite old White Calla, or Lily of the Nile. Of the easiest culture, it is one of the best window plants for winter,—sure to bloom profusely. 25 cts. each; 3 for 60 cts.; by mail, postpaid.

**DWARF CALLA,—Little Gem.** Should not be confused with the Gem, being entirely distinct. It is indeed a pigmy, growing scarcely one foot high. It is a perfect miniature Calla, producing almost continuously large, snow-white flowers. Price 20 cts.; 3 for 50 cts.

For 50 cts. we will mail the set of three Callas.

**GLOXINIAS.**

This gorgeous exotic is as easily grown and cared for as many common flowers. They will bloom in three months from seed, or in six weeks from the planting of the dry bulb. The flowers will last in water, when cut, fully two weeks in perfect condition. They are most magnificent for table decoration. They will bloom till late in summer; the bulbs can be kept over winter in a cellar free from frost. For seed see page 109.

Price of good, strong bulbs, in mixed colors, 25 cents each; 3 for 60 cts., or \$2 00 per dozen, postpaid.

**NYMPHAEA ODORATA GIGANTEA.**

An improved form of the common Pond Lily, *Nymphaea Odorata*, with more deeply cupped flowers almost double the size. Price of good roots, 25 cts. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Water Lilies from Seed, see page 111.

**NEW EXCELSIOR PEARL TUBEROSES**

The Tuberose is a universal favorite, and is very easily grown. This variety is characterized by its short, robust stem and long spikes of large flowers in great profusion, perfectly double and twice the size of the common Tuberose, while of equally delicious fragrance. We offer choice, large-flowering bulbs of this magnificent strain, by mail, at 5 cts. each; 6 for 20 cts.; 35 cts. per doz.; 25 for 70 cts.; 100 for \$2.50, postpaid. Largest size selected bulbs, by mail, 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.; 50 cts. per doz.; \$3.00 per 100, postpaid. Or by express, at purchaser's expense: \$2.00 per 100; 200 for \$3.50, or \$15.00 per 1000.

**TUBEROSE,—Albino.** The flower spike is large and evenly filled with large, single flowers with gracefully recurved petals, free from the brown tint common to the old sorts. The tube and expanded sepals are of the purest waxy-white. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 6 for 50 cts.; \$1.00 per doz., by mail, postpaid.

**TUBEROSE,—Orange-Flowered.** A beautiful variety, with elegant single flowers. The exquisite pure snowy-white flowers rival orange blossoms in sweetness. 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.; 50 cts. per doz., postpaid.

**TUBEROSE,—Variegated-Leaved.** The leaves of this variety are bordered with creamy-white; flowers single, but very large and of exquisite fragrance. It blooms several weeks earlier than the other sorts, which adds greatly to its value. 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts., or 50 cts. per doz., by mail, postpaid.



Fordhook Gigantic

**Tuberous-Rooted BEGONIAS,—**

See page 103.

# Show and Fancy DOUBLE DAHLIAS.

Well-ripened roots at only 20 cts. each; three for 50 cts., or seven for \$1.00, by mail, postpaid. If ordered by express we supply field-grown roots at 15 cts. each; two for 25 cts.; \$1.25 per dozen, or \$10.00 per 100, purchaser to pay express charges on receipt. These prices are for purchaser's choice of varieties. Equally as good roots of The Best DAHLIAS cannot be had for less money anywhere.



THE NYMPHÆA DAHLIA.—From a Photograph.

- ARABELLA.** Pale primrose, shaded old rose and lavender. Early and profuse flowering.
- ELEGANS.** Petals a rich rosy-purple, striped and tipped with white; reflex a silvery-pink.
- DUCHESS OF CAMBRIDGE.** Flowers of large size and perfect form; each petal is white, suffused with pink, edged with purple.
- FERN LEAF BEAUTY.** Of dwarf, branching habit, with distinct fern-like foliage; color creamy-white, margined with crimson.
- FRANK SMITH.** Of a rich, dark maroon, tipped pinkish-white; blended beautifully.
- GLOIRE DE LYON.** Pure white.
- GLOWING COAL.** Brilliant crimson.
- JOHN KEYNES.** Orange-scarlet.
- MADAME MOREAU.** Deep red-pink.
- MARGUERITE.** Lovely rosy-lilac.
- NYMPHÆA, or Pink Water-Lily Dahlia.** See illustration. Color a clear, distinct, light shrimp-pink, shading slightly darker toward the outer petals; fragrant.
- RUBY QUEEN.** Rich ruby-red.
- QUEEN VICTORIA.** Pure yellow.

## MIXED DOUBLE DAHLIAS.

From a complete collection of the **newest and best** varieties we offer **fine field-grown tubers** that will give grand plants and abundant bloom. We wish all our Dahlia-loving friends could have seen the two acres of plants from which this mixture was taken. **The best mixed DOUBLE DAHLIAS at 15 cts. each; 2 for 25 cts.; 5 for 50 cts.; 13 for \$1.25, postpaid.**

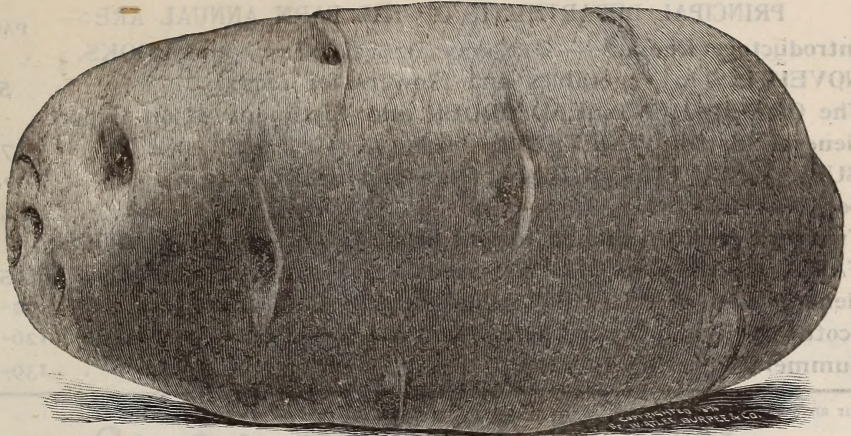
## FIFTEEN SUMMER-FLOWERING BULBS.

The varieties described briefly below are all well known for distinct good qualities.

- APIOS TUBEROSA.** Also called TUBEROUS-ROOTED WISTARIA. This native plant grows quickly and attains a great height, making, with its dense foliage and beautiful flowers, a most attractive screen; profuse clusters of rich, deep purple flowers, deliciously fragrant. 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 7 for 50 cts.
- CALADIUM ESCULENTUM (Elephant's Ears).** A very effective plant, suitable alike either as a single plant on the lawn, masses in beds, or for the borders of ponds. Its distinct, apron-like leaves attain the length of three feet by twenty inches wide. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.; \$1.75 per doz.; by express, 10 for \$1.00.
- CALADIUM, FANCY LEAVED.** Superbly ornamental foliage plants suited for pot culture in the house or conservatory. Fine mixed bulbs 30 cts. each; 4 for \$1.00.
- CINNAMON VINE (Chinese Yam).** A tuberous-rooted climbing vine that grows with great rapidity, quickly covering walls, trellises, etc. Its bright, lively green foliage makes an attractive, dense screen. *Good, strong tubers* at 10 cts. each; 3 for 25 cts.; 75 cts. per doz.
- HYACINTHUS CANDICANS.** A stately bulbous plant, with large Yucca-like leaves, growing as high as four feet. The flowers are pure white, pendent on the long, whip-like stalks, strong bulbs giving two or more spikes; the number of flowers varies from twenty to sixty on each. Perfectly hardy. 5 cts. each; 6 for 25 cts.; 12 for 50 cts.; 30 for \$1.00, or \$3.00 per 100.
- MADEIRA VINE.** A beautiful, rapid-growing climber, bearing graceful racemes of fragrant white flowers; very pretty and useful. 10 cts. each; 75 cts. per doz.
- MONTBRETIA CROCOSMIÆFLORA.** Of great beauty, bearing long spikes, with numerous side spikes, of large, brilliant flowers—bright orange dotted with purple spots. 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.
- TIGRIDIA CONCHIFLORA.** Fine yellow, spotted crimson. 7 cts. each; 4 for 25 cts., or 18 for \$1.00.
- TIGRIDIA GRANDIFLORA.** Very large, bright crimson, center variegated with yellow. 7 cts. each; 4 for 25 cts.; 9 for 50 cts.; 18 for \$1.00, postpaid.
- TIGRIDIA GRANDIFLORA ALBA.** Clear, pearly-white color, marked at the base of each division with large spots of a reddish-brown on a yellowish ground. 10 cts. each; 6 for 50 cts., or 13 for \$1.00.
- TRITOMA UVARIA GRANDIFLORA (Flaming Torch, or Red Hot Poker Plant).** The flower spike is often five feet high, and the flower measures fifteen inches long and twelve inches in circumference. They are a dazzling scarlet, lower half of flower tinged with rich orange. A valuable feature is that the flowers are nearly *frost-proof*, and remain uninjured long after most other flowers have perished. 20 cts. each; 3 for 50 cts.
- ZEPHYRANTHES ANDERSONI.** Orange-yellow flowers. 5 cts. each; 3 for 10 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.
- ZEPHYRANTHES ATAMASCO.** In all respects like *Rosea*, except in color, which is pure white. 5 cts. each; 6 for 20 cts.; 12 for 35 cts., postpaid.
- ZEPHYRANTHES CANDIDA.** Lovely white flowers freely borne. 5 cts. each; 6 for 20 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.
- ZEPHYRANTHES ROSEA.** Flowers are of a clear, rosy-pink color. 5 cts. each; 6 for 20 cts.; 12 for 35 cts.

**BULBS that BLOOM,**  
as well as  
—Seeds that Grow.—

By curtailing expenses, as explained in the introduction on page 1, we are able to make, this year, **prices lower than ever before.** We have reduced prices on **BULBS and PLANTS**, as well as on **SEEDS**, but in every case are careful to supply **only the BEST.** Bulbs offered at prices lower than quoted on the preceding pages will be found generally to be either inferior in quality or not well-ripened, **full-size BULBS that will BLOOM the first season.**



THE NEW EARLY THOROUGHbred POTATO.—Engraved from a Photograph.

## New Potato,—The Early THOROUGHbred.

A leading grower of Tioga County, New York, writes us, November 14, 1896, as follows: "I wish every Potato grower could give **The THOROUGHbred** a trial. We would have fewer varieties and less poor stock grown. There are too many new kinds introduced; take, for instance, the *Freeman*, *Carman No. 1*, and *Carman No. 3*, all sent out at fancy prices as extraordinary in quality and yield. **The THOROUGHbred** outyielded the No. 3 and doubled the yield of No. 1, and in quality discounts them both, besides being early. The *Freeman* is not worth mentioning,—too many small Potatoes,—and it is so with many others. I hope **The THOROUGHbred** will be as largely planted as it deserves."

As shown in the illustration from photograph, the tubers are oblong in shape, smooth, and handsome; of a light blush or pinkish color. In quality for the table, either baked or boiled, it is "simply perfection." The vine is a healthy, vigorous grower, sets its tubers compactly in the hill, and, from the fact that it does not set too many tubers, it is well adapted to growing in drills, and will mature AN IMMENSE CROP with very few small-sized Potatoes. The tubers all grow to a good marketable size, and yet are never coarse or prongy.

In season of ripening it is early, being only a few days later than *Burpee's Extra Early*. It matures with the *Early Rose*. Below we quote from a letter received from our grower:—

"**The Early THOROUGHbred** is a great Potato. Beyond question it combines more good qualities than any one variety introduced since the days of the *Early Rose*. In a field test of several acres, the past season, it outyielded any other variety, either early or late. For the amateur who desires a fine Potato for the table, that is productive as well; for the trucker who wants a handsome Potato for market and one that will abundantly repay him for high cultivation; or for the farmer who wants the best Potato for main-crop that he can harvest in time to sow wheat, or in time to take advantage of the early Fall market,—**The Early THOROUGHbred** is THE POTATO."

## EXTRA in Table Quality and 'WAY AHEAD in Productiveness.

Again in another letter our grower writes: "I send you to-day tubers of **The THOROUGHbred**, and I think you will agree with me that the quality for eating is something extra. They excel any Potato I have ever grown, in this respect. In earliness they rank up with the *Hebron* or *Queen*, not quite as early as *Burpee's Extra Early*, but in vigor and productiveness they are 'way ahead. I have made a study of the Potato for the last sixteen years, and in that time have tested nearly all the new varieties as they came out, especially the early kinds, as I was interested in growing early Potatoes largely for market. I am inclined to think that the claims made for **The THOROUGHbred** are not extravagant, and that it is the most valuable Potato introduced for many years."

**PRICES of The THOROUGHbred.** We have a magnificent sample of well-grown tubers, raised in Northern New York. Our supply is limited, but until sold out we offer at the following prices: Per lb 50 cts.; 3 lbs. for 90 cts., postpaid, by mail. By express or freight: Per peck \$1.00;  $\frac{1}{2}$  bushel \$1.75; per bushel, of 60 lbs., \$3.00; per barrel, of 165 lbs., \$7.00.

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